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COL. NASSER'S NEW MOVE

Sends "Observer" To The Canal Conference

KEEPING 'FOOT IN THE DOOR'

London, Aug. 15.

Egypt suddenly decided today to send a top-level "observer" to tomorrow's 22-nation Suez conference.

The sharp about-face was disclosed on the eve of the Big Three-sponsored talks which Egyptian president Gamal Abdel Nasser rejected so bluntly on Sunday.

Nasser ordered his political director, Wing-Commander Aly Sabri, to fly to London. Cairo sources said Sabri will serve as an observer to "keep Egypt's foot in the door" even though he cannot attend the closed sessions.

News of the Egyptian move reached the Big Three foreign ministers and the dozens of other diplomats gathered here after a busy day of hurried consultations.

US Secretary of State John Foster Dulles assured Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden and French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau of full American support for a "reasonable solution" of the canal crisis.

It was understood that the American view is this: If Egypt rejects such a "reasonable solution" after the London conference, American moral opinion could be expected to support Britain and France in the next moves.

Whether that would include backing for military action was not disclosed.

But the Big Three were reported in full agreement that some form of international operation of the canal is vital even though the joint proposal for an "international authority" is considered flexible. — United Press.

US Aim: Get Canal Issue Out Of International Politics

London, Aug. 15.

Sources close to the United States delegation to the Suez Canal conference opening here tomorrow said tonight that the major objective of American policy for the conference was to get the Suez Canal issue out of the sphere of international politics and obtain a formula by which the Canal could be operated by an efficient business administration of an international character.

Operators of the Canal would assure free passage for all ships, including those of Israel.

United States officials were reportedly firmly convinced that some formula for international operation and control of the Canal must be found. In their view the world could not rely exclusively on some kind of appeal board or supervisory organ if basic international rights were to be protected.

NOT TO BE IMPOSED

They expect the conference to formulate some reasonable proposals, which will not be imposed on Egypt, but which will be explained to her in the hope that the Cairo government will respond favourably.

But the American view was that if reasonable proposals were made by the Suez conference and then rejected by Egypt, then United States moral opinion would stand with Britain and France.

The conference opening tomorrow was seen by American sources as an opportunity for interested nations to exchange views and to seek agreement on proposals which would prove satisfactory to Egypt while providing basic guarantees for freedom of movement on the waterway, unhampered by political fluctuations.

Following the round of diplomatic talks, Mr John Foster Dulles said here today—those he saw included the British, French and Russian foreign ministers—the United States delegation was reported to be still firmly in favour of a Western powers plan for an international authority. But full details of this scheme have still to be worked out.

American officials said the atmosphere here surrounding the Suez crisis appeared to be calmer than two weeks ago when Mr Dulles hurried to London for three power talks shortly after President Nasser's nationalisation act. The fact that the conference was being held was a major reason for this change of atmosphere, it was said.

But in the American view all nations, including Egypt, realise that something had to be done about the Canal question and that nationalisation was not the end of the problem.

WIDE SCOPE

Following their talks with other delegations so far, these officials believe there is wide scope for discussion and a disposal among nations represented here to take reasonable positions.

"Discussion seems to be the order, rather than banging the table," one said.

One source said the Russian view at the conference might be that President Nasser should be allowed to run the Canal and that if any country had complaints about its operation it could appeal to the United Nations.—Reuter.

SIR ANTHONY WILL OPEN THE CONFERENCE TODAY

London, Aug. 16.

Sir Anthony Eden opens a 22-nation conference here today to consider restoration of international control over the Suez Canal after Egypt's nationalisation of the vital sea link.

In a short welcoming address, the British Prime Minister is expected to reiterate the deep anxiety of the Western powers over what they hold is a "threat" to the freedom of navigation in the Canal.

The British, French and United States foreign ministers yesterday reaffirmed their determination to press for the setting up of full international management for the Canal consisting of the nations largely dependent upon its traffic.

Main opponent to the Western plan is expected to be Mr Dmitri Shepilov, the new Soviet Foreign Minister, who is attending his first international conference.

The conference, which is being held at Lancaster House, scene of many important international meetings, is expected to last about 10 days.

The plan of the "Big Three" Western powers, who called the meeting is to win the approval of the majority of the nations for a scheme involving a two-tier international organisation to run the canal. The top body would be responsible for the overall administration of the waterway and the second would control the physical operations.

Mr Selwyn Lloyd, the British Foreign Secretary, has said that the international authority might be linked to the United Nations.

A Fair Share

Under the Western project, Egypt would be given a fair share of the canal's takings and the shareholders of the old Suez Company would be paid compensation for their loss.

If the Western scheme receives the approval of the conference it will be submitted to Egypt for consideration.

One of the main questions expected to come up at today's largely procedural discussions is how the vote should be taken on conclusions.

The Western powers will probably insist on a majority vote. Russia, India and some other nations are expected to resist this.

Another question to be settled today is the chairmanship of the meeting. Some nations favour rotation of the chairmanship in alphabetical order. Others would like Mr Lloyd or another minister made permanent chairman.

Countries attending the conference are: Australia, Britain, Ceylon, Denmark, Ethiopia, France, West Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Iran, Portugal, Soviet Union, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and the United States.—Reuter.

Planes Grounded

London, Aug. 15.

Flying boats evacuating British wives and children from the Suez Canal zone will be grounded tomorrow, by a strike of Arab labourers in Egypt, an airline spokesman said tonight.—Reuter.

LEAVES FOR LONDON

Cairo, Aug. 15.

Wing-Commander Aly Sabry, President Nasser's chief political officer, left here by air for London tonight.

Wing-Commander Sabry is flying to London in a British European Airways Viscount by way of Athens and Munich.

Wing-Commander Sabry, speaking in English, told reporters before he left: "I'm sorry I can't tell you anything about the object of my visit to London.

"I should be staying at the Egyptian Embassy in London and it is obvious I am going to London to watch the Suez conference."

Wing-Commander Sabry, a wartime officer in the British air force, will be visiting London for the first time.

Asked by an American reporter whether he was going to London to "muzzle" Major Salah Salem for what he had been saying about blowing up the Suez Canal, Wing-Commander Sabry said: "Major Salem is free to say what he wants. He only represents his paper, Al Shaab."—Reuter.

Terrorists Slay Two In Algiers

Algiers, Aug. 15.

Sharpshooting Algerian rebels killed a European student here today and then shot down a motor scooter rider and his wife on the city's outskirts.

The student was shot down early in the afternoon on an Algiers street. He died a short time later in hospital. The killer escaped.

An hour later, a European motor scooter rider, with his wife and child, stopped to repair the scooter on the outskirts of Algiers. Rebels killed the husband with a shot in the head and wounded the wife with two bullets in the body.

Passersby found them later. The child was untouched and sitting near his parents.

TWO BATTLES

French patrols crushed rebel bands and recovered large amounts of arms and ammunition in two clashes in Western Algeria's Oran Department, French authorities said.

No casualty figures were given. The first battle took place at St Maur, 25 miles southwest of Oran, and the second at Beni-Badhel, 18 miles southwest of Tlemcen.

In Constantine in Eastern Algeria, French Alpine troops inflicted "severe losses" on a strong band of rebels near Bougie, the French reported. Bougie is on the coast about 125 miles east of Algiers.

300 QUESTIONED

The French police carried out a huge "control" action throughout the Birmandreis suburb of Algiers late today, following the two killings.

More than 300 Moslems were taken to police headquarters for questioning and the police are holding 150 of them for "further verification of their identities".—United Press.

U NU'S APPEAL

New Delhi, Aug. 15.

The former Burmese Prime Minister, U Nu, has sent a personal letter to the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, asking him to assist in getting China to withdraw her troops from Burmese territory, according to the newspaper The Hindu today.—Reuter.

STRIKERS CLASH WITH POLICE

Singapore, Aug. 15.

Seven persons were injured and 56 arrested today when striking workers of the Fred Waterhouse factory clashed with the police.

The injured included four workers and three policemen, one of the latter being admitted to hospital in a serious condition.

The clash broke out when the workers, on the 29th day of their strike for higher wages and better service conditions, tried to obstruct vehicles passing through the factory gates.

The police used batons to disperse the crowd.—France-Presse.

It Looks As Though The Democrats' Nomination Fight Is Over

HARRIMAN MAY WITHDRAW

Chicago, Aug. 15.

Mr Averell Harriman, Governor of New York State, may announce the withdrawal of his candidature for Democrat nominee for the presidential election, a reliable source stated.

He would take this step to maintain unity in the Democrat Party, the source said.

Harriman is reported to have decided to withdraw when the number of votes assured in favour of Adlai Stevenson, the other candidate, continuously rose today. The latest estimates gave Stevenson 600 votes assured after New Jersey and Michigan had announced that they would vote for him. Ohio was reported to be opting for Stevenson after first backing Harriman.

Harriman was reported to have gleaned only 230 assured votes. An absolute majority of 686½ votes is required for nomination.

It was believed that Stevenson would be nominated at the first ballot tomorrow evening.

Will Not Oppose

Stevenson's position was strengthened when the leader of the Senate Democrat majority, Lyndon Johnson, said he would not oppose him, provided the election programme on civic rights was moderate enough to be acceptable to the South.

This programme has just been published without even being adopted by the programme commission or by a plenary session of the convention. It constitutes a compromise between Northern and Southern views and experts say it will not cause a reopening of a debate on this thorny issue.

Harriman was to have last-minute talks today with several delegations, including that from Ohio. He was expected to announce his decision afterwards. —France-Presse.

One Last Obstacle

Chicago, Aug. 15.

Mr Adlai Stevenson, hurdling the crumbling roadblocks of Harry Truman and Governor Averell Harriman, today virtually locked up the Democratic presidential nomination.

The last remaining obstacle in Mr Stevenson's path apparently was the threat of a bruising North-South battle when the government took up the blistering civil rights issue at its night session. However, his backers were confident of ultimate victory despite any row.

Mr Stevenson's big break came when two key Northern delegations to the Democratic national convention—Michigan and New Jersey—were released by their favourite sons in favour of Mr Stevenson. Hard on their heels came Arkansas and possibly Washington and some Massachusetts votes.

Mr Stevenson got an added boost when the Democratic Platform Committee approved a compromise civil rights plank that most Southern Democrats could swallow and which won the approval of Mr Harriman and of Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt, a Stevenson backer.

Best Compromise

The plank affirmed the Supreme Court's school integration order as "law of the land" but rejected use of force to carry it out. Some Southerners announced their unalterable opposition but most accepted it as the best possible compromise.

However, with the South generally apparently mollified, the compromise ran into angry opposition from Northern Democrats who insisted that the Party promise to "implement" the Court order and pledge "legislation" in the civil rights field.

Representative John McCormack, "assistant" House Democratic leader, said the full 108-member Platform Committee approved the civil rights compromise by voice vote, with the Southerners dissenting. But Mr McCormack was confident the South would accept it and not try to run a minority report through the convention.

With the race for the presidential nomination apparently settled, delegates speculated about the vice-presidential choice. This contest was wide open.

Prominently mentioned were: Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, who withdrew from the presidential race in favour of Mr Stevenson and is close to him in policies of moderation. He has said he would accept.

Senator Lydon Johnson of Texas, who controls a powerful bloc of votes from his own and other Southern states. He had hoped for the top nomination if the convention deadlocked between Mr Stevenson and Mr Harriman.

Senator Stuart Symington of Missouri. He has the personal backing of ex-President Truman, himself a Missourian, and the solid 38 votes of his state.

Governor Frank Clement of Tennessee. One of the Party's "young guard" who made the fighting keynote speech on Monday and may win wider support than the 32 delegates of his own state.

Other Possibles

Others are Senator Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota, Senator John Kennedy of Massachusetts, Mayor Robert Wagner of New York city and Governor Robert Meyner of New Jersey.

A later poll put Mr Stevenson, on paper, within 21 votes of the 686 ½ needed.

Mr Harriman was still saying he would win the nomination.

He told delegates from Michigan and New Jersey that many commitments had been made to Mr Stevenson in the last three years but that these delegates had said they would be free to vote for Mr Harriman after the first ballot or two.—Reuter.

Not To Be Recalled

Djakarta, Aug. 15.

The Indonesian Foreign Minister, Ruslan Abdulgani, allegedly involved in a corruption scandal, will not be recalled from London, where he is leading the Indonesian delegation at the Suez conference, Information Minister Sudibjo, stated today.—France-Presse.

Eoka Gunmen Take Revenge

Nicosia, Aug. 15.

Extremists today shot dead the uncle of a beautiful Cypriot girl who denounced them last week as a "pack of cowardly murderers".

Bullets fired by a gang of unknown assailants killed Christos Pappilaros on Archbishop Makarios Street in Nicosia late this afternoon. Pappilaros had been released from protective custody only a few hours earlier, after having been held in gaol for a week for his own safety.

Last week his niece, Drosulla Dimitriadou, was flown to Britain by the security authorities after denouncing the extremist organisation Eoka for killing her fiance.

In a news conference in London and in a broadcast over the government-controlled Cyprus Radio, Miss Dimitriadou, whose Maltese fiance John Mompaldi had been murdered by Eoka earlier last week, accused the extremists of being "murderers".

FLOWN TO SAFETY

She called on loyal Cypriots to remove the Eoka organisation from their midst.

The police flew Miss Dimitriadou and her immediate family to London to protect them from vengeance. Pappilaros and other close relatives were taken into protective custody and released today.

The police clamped a curfew on Nicosia City and cordoned off the teeming streets of the Greek quarter, where Pappilaros was shot down. The curfew was lifted after two hours, when a house to house search failed to unearth the gunmen. — United Press.

THEY DIED EATING

Marcinelle, Aug. 15.

Forty of the men trapped in Belgium's Bitter Heart mine disaster were killed instantly by a cloud of carbon monoxyde gas just as they were eating breakfast, a rescue worker said here today.

Some of the dead men, who were found in the cazier pit, still had bread in their hands and mouths when rescuers reached them. Others were lying on their backs as if sleeping and some were sitting in positions which indicated that they died without knowing it.

Rescue workers today continued their attempts to reach galleries low in the mine where other men were believed to have been trapped.

The work in bringing to the surface the 83 bodies found in the gallery 2,750 feet down finished today.—Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Stevenson Again

THE latest cable reports from Chicago, where the Democrat Party's national convention is being held, indicate that Mr Adlai Stevenson will be nominated Presidential candidate by a fairly comfortable majority: though he will probably not feel properly secure until the result of the poll has been announced. Twice in this year's campaign the generally conceded favourite has had to head off strong challenges, first from Senator Estes Kefauver and, more recently, by ex-President Truman's protege, Mr Averell Harriman.

Behind the clash of personalities lies the deeper cleavage over policies. And it should be recognised that on questions like civil rights there is no uniform Democrat policy. North and South are poles apart—to the extent that the most malleable, non-committal and platitudinous set of principles could not be accepted by both factions. Earlier this year, it was thought that an "acceptable third man" to break the then existing impasse between Mr Stevenson and Senator Kefauver would solve the Party's problems.

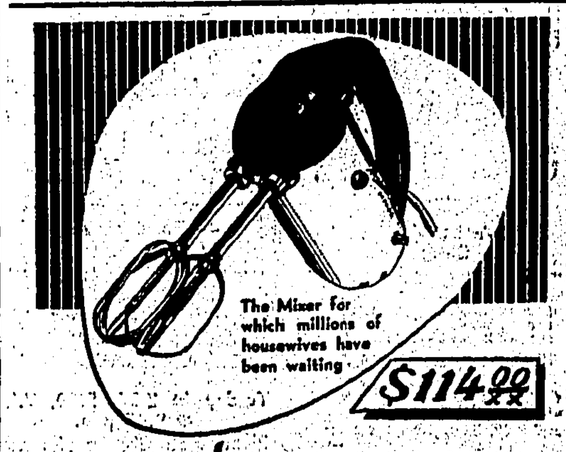
TIME however has produced no compromise candidate. Despite Mr Truman's passionate support of Mr Harriman, the South distrusts New York's Governor too much to switch its votes. And the result is that those who had pinned hopes on a more dramatic figurehead to offset policy clashes, appear resigned to Mr Stevenson's nomination. It would be unfair not to add, however, that Mr Stevenson's personal following is still considerable even though it has declined from its 1952 peak.

Mr Stevenson's apparently comfortable majority has been made possible largely by the unselfish withdrawal of Senator Kefauver who saw that though his support was substantial not only was it not enough to secure his own nomination but it might easily undermine confidence in Mr Stevenson. Mr Truman has been less gracious and doubtless before the election campaign is over Democrats will be charging that he more than anyone else—friend or foe—has done more to undermine the party's chances. His characteristically spirited outburst earlier this week in support of Mr Harriman was seen as a bludgeon blow that might do untold harm to Mr Stevenson.

THE convention has since shown it is not disposed to accept dictatorship of this kind; indeed the psychological reaction was probably a movement of sympathetic support for Mr Stevenson. Unperturbed, Mr Truman now turns his hand to preparing a eulogistic testimony on behalf of the likely candidate.

The final platform has not yet emerged in a form which permits proper study. On domestic issues there is a clear split on racial integration in schools and the pace at which the Supreme Court's judgment on this question should proceed. The whole civil rights platform has yet to be moulded into an acceptable form, though just how much farther policy can be diluted to meet southern objections is a question that must be engaging considerable attention in the party executive.

On foreign policy, the Democrats are not far from a bipartisan stand with the Republicans. The differences appear to be in small detail only and not ones that could inflame passions in the campaign. The Democrats oppose the admission of China to the United Nations. This is not surprising, though it is a pity it has adopted this negative, defensive attitude, when some more positive and hopeful statement could have emerged from Mr Stevenson's enlightened mind.



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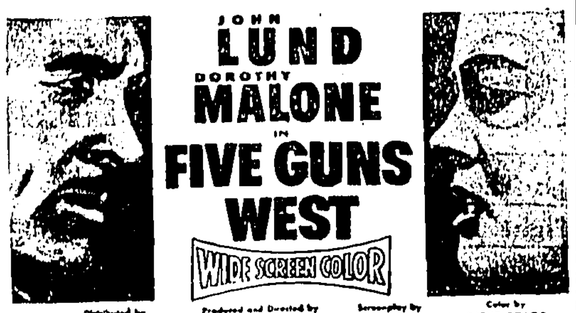

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Germans See UK Radar

Latest developments in radar by the British Decca Company were recently shown in Germany for the first time to members of the German Federal Defence Ministry, the aircraft industry and the press. Pictured is a control car radar screen, in which the progress of any plane or moving object can be followed.— Express Photo.

TRUMAN DELIGHTS REPUBLICANS

Bitter Attacks On Stevenson During Convention Shock Many Democrats

By PAUL SCOTT RANKINE

Washington, Aug. 15.

Ex-President Truman's bitter attacks upon his fellow Democrat, Mr Adlai Stevenson, in the fight over the nomination of a Presidential candidate at the Democratic national convention, have shocked many Democrats and delighted the Republicans, preparing for their own convention next week.

Mr Truman's "give'em hell" techniques won him fame, popularity and the Presidency when he employed them against the Republicans in his one-man election campaign in 1948. But he has never before turned such fire upon a member of his own party.

Beyond Custom

In fact the kind of language now being used by Mr Truman goes far beyond custom at party conventions and the usuages of party loyalty.

Not even Senator Robert Taft, in the most bitter moment of the last-ditch stand of the Republican old guard against the nomination of General Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952, hurled such charges as "defeatist" or used the forbidden words that a fellow party member "could not win" the election.

Before this week's convention Mr Truman himself had been loyally declaring that "any Democrat" could defeat President Eisenhower.

Even the lonely Mr Harold Stassen, still struggling desperately in a deserted Washington to persuade the Republican party to "dump Nixon" (Mr Richard Nixon) as a Vice-Presidential candidate, has not used such extreme tactics as those of Mr Truman's "dump Stevenson" campaign.

Leave Wounds

One good reason for restraint at party conventions is that such attacks, particularly when they come from a former President, provide invaluable campaign material for the opposite party in the subsequent election campaign.

So far as Mr Truman's own political future is concerned, his actions this week will leave wounds that obviously cannot be healed in a month or two.

If, therefore, Mr Stevenson is finally nominated, as now seems extremely likely, it will be almost impossible for Mr Truman to take to the stump again for the candidate of his party in the election campaign.

This may not be a great disappointment to Mr Stevenson. In the 1952 campaign Mr Stevenson's supporters regarded President Truman's enthusiastic endorsement and campaign methods as an embarrassment because they did not wish Mr Stevenson to be too closely identified with the "mess in Washington" which candidate Eisenhower was then denouncing.

Provocation

In fact, it is widely believed that it is just this attitude on Mr Stevenson's part which has provoked Mr Truman to stake everything including his own political future on supporting the candidacy of Governor Averell Harriman, an old colleague who would give Mr Truman a prominent place in the campaign and work harmoniously in harness with the ex-President.—China Mail Special.

Moroccan Base Talks Later

Washington, Aug. 15.

Negotiations for a stragetic bases agreement in Morocco will be taken up both here and in Rabat when the time comes, Moroccan Embassy Minister Achmet Ben Aboud said today.

In a United Press interview he said he did not know what his government would request in the way of economic or other aid for Morocco to make a bases agreement possible and he believed his government had not reached any decision yet.

The present agreement on the strategic bases in Morocco was made between France and the United States. The Sultan of Morocco's viewpoint is that as Morocco is now an independent nation there must be a bases agreement made directly between Morocco and the United States.

Mineral Wealth

Ben Aboud said his country was very interested in receiving technical and cultural aid from the United States, both by Americans going to Morocco to teach Moroccans technical and cultural proficiency as well as sending many Moroccan students here.

The envoy said he hoped United States capital could be invested in Morocco to help develop its mineral wealth and also its tourist trade by the building of hotels and other facilities.

He said that the Sultan had always wanted close relations with the United States and the Embassy here would do everything possible to foster this wish. He also hoped that the Sultan, despite his preoccupations in guiding a new nation, would find time for visit here some time next year.—United Press.

Great German Author Dies

Berlin, Aug. 15.

Bertold Brecht, author of the libretto for "The Threepenny Opera" and considered one of Germany's greatest modern writers, died last night of a heart ailment, the East German radio reported today.

Brecht, who was 58, achieved world fame as a result of "The Threepenny Opera", which he wrote in 1928 and which was recently revived. Kurt Weill wrote the music.

Brecht was a Communist and holder of the Stalin Peace Prize.

His first success was a drama, "Drums in the Night", which was first produced in Munich in 1923. He later worked in Berlin as a director but fled Germany during Adolf Hitler's rise to power.

He spent three years in the Soviet Union, from 1936 to 1939, and went to the United States in 1941, where he remained until 1947.

THEATRE GROUP

Back in Germany, Brecht and his wife, Helen Weigel, founded the Berliner Ensemble, a theatre group that produced such Brecht plays as "Mother Courage."

Although his plays and poetry flourished in prewar Germany and during his exile in other countries, his art was stifled under the Communists of East Germany in recent years.

In 1952 his play "The Interrogation of Lucullus" opened in East Berlin, but the Communists objected to its pacifist theme and ordered him to rewrite the story.

He was awarded the Stalin Peace Prize in 1954.—United Press.

Born Blind, Recovers Sight

Capetown, Aug. 15.

A three and a half-year-old boy who had been blind from birth, and who had been pronounced incurable by several specialists in Capetown, recovered his sight four days after his parents took him to an African faith healer.

The child is the son of Mike Attlee, a well-known Capetown rugby player. Doctors told the parents that his blindness was caused by a hole in his brain, and an operation would be useless.

As a last resort he was taken to an African evangelist in Zululand, Nicholas Benghu.

Benghu prayed for the child and within four days he picked up some food and put it in his mouth. His mother realised that he could see.

He was taken to a doctor, who examined him and said, "It is unbelievable." — China Mail Special.

Geneva, Aug. 15.

Fifteen countries have responded to an international appeal for Red Cross aid to flood victims in Iran this week, with gifts of cash and supplies valued at nearly $59,000, the League of Red Cross Societies announced today.—United Press.

Battling Against Imperialism

Cairo, Aug. 15.

The battle which Egypt "is to fight against imperialism", following the nationalisation of the Suez Canal, "will last for years," the Egyptian Education Minister, Major Kamal Eddine Hussein, said here today.

Hussein, appointed by Colonel Nasser as commander of the para-military "National Liberation Army", said: "This battle has been going on for a long time. It must not cease. It has become more important since the nationalisation of the Suez Canal. It will last for years because the Suez Canal zone is a vital communications centre and is also rich in oil and minerals.

In Schools

"We must therefore possess a permanent force to frustrate the imperialists, who have always tried to dominate the Middle East."

Hussein was addressing a conference of provincial directors of mobilisation. Yesterday, at a meeting of regional commanders, he had discussed plans for organising the National Liberation Army.

Hussein's plan calls for elementary military instructions for all students at Egyptian primary and secondary schools. More than a thousand camps are being set up throughout the country to train the students and the volunteers of the Egyptian National Liberation movement, a sort of National Guard.

By the end of the scholastic year, Hussein expects that 24,000 Egyptian students will have received their rudiments of military training. Each regional zone of the country is to have a commander of military education, responsible for carrying out the training programme.—France-Presse.

Mob Demands Arrest Of Police Chief

Karachi, Aug. 15.

A crowd of 2,000 demonstrators crashed through a police cordon and marched to Premier Mohamad Ali's home today to demand the arrest of police Inspector General Gilbert Grace.

The demonstrators, hoping to keep the British-born Inspector General from leaving the country, reached the Premier's house gates shouting, "Mohamad Ali, come out." And "arrest Grace."

Grace, as head of the 6,000-man Karachi police force, has been the target of charges alleging malpractice by the police. A government investigation is now under way.

The Pakistan Prime Minister told the crowd that anyone found guilty would be punished. Grace is currently on sick leave, but is soon expected to return to his post.—United Press.

Baby Escapes From Moving Motor Car

Port Elizabeth, Aug. 15.

Three-year-old Carolene Pennacchini, of Sixth Avenue, Walmer, was sitting at the steering wheel of her father's car when it began to move.

While her father, who had just got out, watched helpless it plunged 16 ft. into a culvert, and turned over three times before coming to rest.

Carolene's father, Mr Franklin Pennacchini, ran to the car and found Carolene unhurt but for a cut wrist.

He said afterwards: "I saw the car land on its roof. It bounced about 10 ft and turned over three times in the air. I could see Carolene's little red sweater whirling around inside."—China Mail Special.

Lacy East-West Consultant

Washington, Aug. 15.

The State Department announced today that a new post had been created for a "special assistant to the Secretary of State for East-West exchanges," and the appointment of Mr William S. B. Lacy to the new post.

Mr Lacy was formerly Ambassador to Korea.

The State Department spokesman said the post of assistant for East-West exchanges was set up under the 17 point programme agreed upon by the three Western foreign ministers in Geneva last October, for the purpose of improving the relations between East and West, especially in the development of cultural exchanges.

Economic Expert

Commenting on press reports that Hungary would like to strengthen her ties with the United States, the State Department spokesman said this lay within the scope of Mr. Lacy's mission: to improve relations between the Central European countries in particular, and the West.

Mr Lacy, aged 46, served as an economic expert in various government branches until his appointment as Assistant Director of UNRRA, after the second world war.

He entered the State Department as a specialist of Southeast Asian affairs, and in 1952 was appointed Counsellor in Manila. He served as Ambassador in Seoul for several months last year.— France-Presse.

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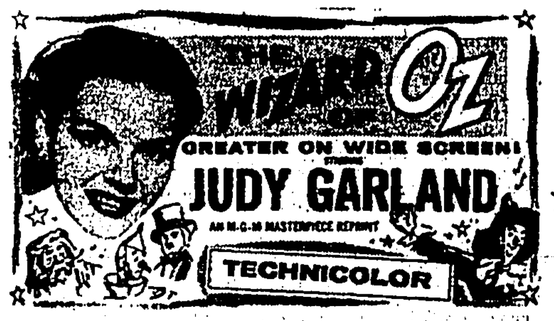

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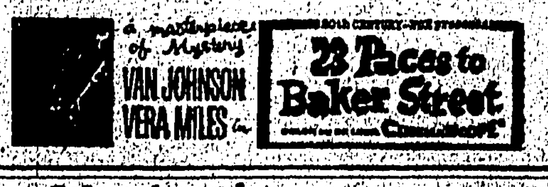


EAST GERMAN PROTEST

Berlin, Aug. 15.

The East German Government today issued a statement, strongly protesting against the British refusal to grant visas to an East German delegation, wishing to attend the London Suez conference.

Only West Germany was invited to the conference, and East Germany had planned to send delegation to attend as observers.

Describing the British refusal as "pretentious and arrogant", the statement from the East German Premier's office declared that the British Government was not competent to decide who should attend an international conference.

East Germany had an equal right with West Germany to attend, the statment said. — France-Presse.

Peking Supports Suez Canal Nationalisation

CHINA AND OTHER NATIONS SHOULD TAKE PART IN ANY DISCUSSIONS

Paris, Aug. 15.

The Government of the People's Republic of China today issued a statement on the Suez Canal, the New China News Agency reported.

In this statement, the Chinese Government fully supported Egypt's righteous action in nationalising the Suez Canal Company in defence of its own sovereignty and independence.

The Chinese Government hopes that Britain and France would settle the Suez Canal issue by peaceful negotiations and the Chinese Government warmly supports the Egyptian Government proposal for the convocation of a conference for the purpose of reviewing the Constantinople Convention and considering the conclusion of an agreement between all countries concerned, reaffirming and guaranteeing the freedom of navigation on the Suez Canal.

The following is the text of the Chinese Government's statement:

Righteous Action

The nationalisation of the Suez Canal Company is a righteous action taken by Egypt in defence of its own sovereignty and independence. This action of Egypt is entirely proper, either legally or morally. The Chinese Government and the Chinese people fully support this righteous action of the Egyptian Government for upholding its sovereignty and independence.

The Egyptian people, with their own blood and sweat, built the Suez Canal on their own territory. All international treaties concerning the Suez Canal cannot but recognise that the Suez Canal is an integral part of Egypt, and that the Suez Canal Company is an Egyptian company, subject to Egyptian laws and customs. As a sovereign and independent state, Egypt has the full right to nationalise the Suez Canal Company.

For almost a hundred years, the colonialists controlled the shares of this Egyptian company, and encroached upon the sovereignty of Egypt and exploited the Egyptian people through this company. Such a situation cannot be allowed to continue in an age when the peoples of Asia and Africa have already awakened.

Mixed Up

In their joint communique of August 2, the United States, Britain and France arbitrarily mixed up the issue of the nationalisation of the Suez Canal Company with that of the freedom of navigation through the canal in an attempt to use this as a pretext for preserving their colonialist privileges and depriving Egypt of its sovereign rights over the Suez Canal. Such a pretext is entirely untenable.

The Egyptian Government has time and again announced its pledge to respect the freedom of navigation through the Suez Canal. Since the nationalisation of the Suez Canal Company, the freedom of navigation through the Canal has not been affected in the least. These facts refute forcefully those allegations that freedom of navigation has been endangered, but the United States, Britain and France are unscrupulously exerting pressure on Egypt. They have frozen Egypt's assets in their countries. They have resorted to the threat of force by despatching armed forces and making a show of their military strength.

Their actions constitute not only a threat to Egypt alone, but also a threat to all countries striving to shake off colonial domination and upholding their sovereignty and independence, and a threat to peace and security of the world.

Strongly Condemned

The Asian and African countries, and all the peace-loving nations and peoples cannot but strongly condemn these actions which grossly violate the United Nations Charter and the rules of international law.

The United States, Britain and France have decided, without prior consultation with Egypt, to convene the London conference to be participated by 24 countries. Judging from the joint communique made by the three countries, it is their attempt at this conference to impose upon the other participating countries the plan of so-called operating arrangements of the Suez Canal under an international system, which they have unilaterally decided upon. Such international operating arrangements are obviously an interference in the internal affairs of Egypt and an infringement upon the sovereignty of Egypt.

Under such circumstances, Egypt's refusal to participate in the conference is fully understandable. Moreover, it is pointed out by Prime Minister Nehru of India and the Government of the Soviet Union and by many other countries, that many other countries concerned have been excluded from the conference. The Government of the Soviet Union specifically pointed out that at least 22 other countries, including the People's Republic of China, should share in the discussions connected with the freedom of navigation through the Suez Canal.

Regretted

It is to be regretted that this reasonable proposal made by the Soviet Union has not won the concurrence of the United States, Britain and France. Obviously, a conference has no right to make any decision on the Suez Canal, and still less has it any right to discuss any question relating to the sovereignty of Egypt.

The Asian and African countries declared unanimously at the Bandung conference that colonialism in all its manifestations was an evil which should speedily be brought to an end. They also affirmed at the conference the principle of settling international disputes by peaceful means in conformity with the Charter of the United Nations. The Chinese Government stands firmly for these resolutions of the Bandung conference.

The Chinese Government holds that the exercise by Egypt of its sovereign right in nationalising the Suez Canal Company allows no interference by any foreign country; and that any question in connection with the freedom of navigation through the Suez Canal can be settled through peaceful negotiations. Prior to the present incident, Britain and France had taken some rather wise actions favourable to the relaxation of international tension.

The Chinese Government hopes that Britain and France will deal with the Suez Canal question in the same spirit. Any threat of force or armed intervention will inevitably meet with the resolute opposition of the peoples of Asia and Africa and of the whole world and will by no means be of any advantage to Britain and France.

Supported

The Egyptian Government, in line with the spirit of the Bandung conference, has already proposed the convocation of a conference with the broad participation of countries concerned for the purpose of reviewing the Constantinople Convention and considering the conclusion of an agreement between all these countries, reaffirming and guaranteeing the freedom of navigation on the Suez Canal.

The Chinese Government warmly supports the spirit of peaceful negotiation fully demonstrated by Egypt in this proposal, and considers that this proposal provides a reasonable way of settling the complicated situation arising from the Suez Canal question. — France-Presse.

EXODUS OF JEWS FROM POLAND

New York, Aug. 15.

After many years of a total ban on emigration, Polish Jews are at last hoping for a mass exodus to Israel, reports reaching here through West Berlin indicated today.

They said that in the second half of July, more than 3,000 Polish Jews registered for emigration with the Israeli Embassy in Warsaw. In the south Polish city of Sosnowiec, 95 per cent of the Jewish inhabitants were reported to have applied for exit visas and were told to pack up their papers in September.

East European observers here said the emigration movement among Polish Jews, of whom only just over 40,000 were estimated to be still living in Poland, resulted from a reported declaration by the Prime Minister, Jozef Cyrankiewicz, that appropriate departments had been instructed to grant exit visas to Jews desiring to emigrate to Israel.

PLEBISCITE

The informants said exit papers would be given also to Jewish Communists and government officials. Also, they added that the Polish Government may conduct a plebiscite among the Polish Jews, giving them the choice of emigrating to Israel or staying in Poland. Such a plebiscite was being prepared for October, they said.

They pointed to reports from Rome saying that increased numbers of Jews from Poland already were passing through Genoa and Naples en route to Israel. —United Press.

PANAMA LODGES PROTEST

London, Aug. 15.

Panama protested officially today for not being invited to the Suez conference.

Roberto Arias, Panamanian Ambassador to Great Britain, called on Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, permanent Under-Secretary of the British Foreign Office, this afternoon. In a statement to United Press after the meeting, Ambassador Arias said.

"Panama considers it necessary and convenient that she participate in the talks on the Suez Canal. The Suez Canal has a fundamental analogy with the Panama Canal.

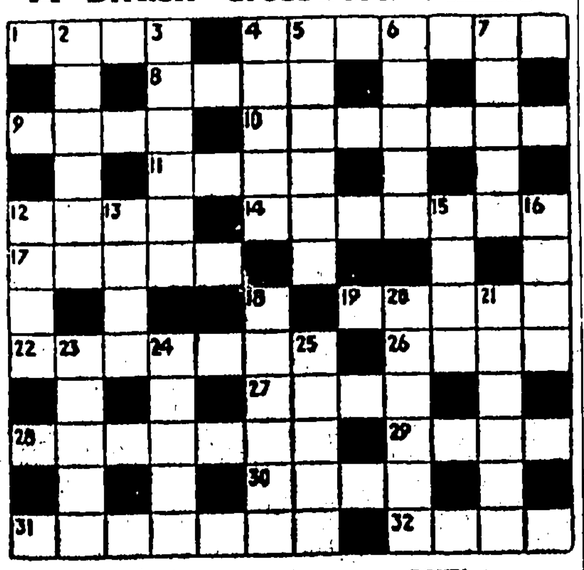
CERTAIN RIGHTS

"The Panama Canal is constructed in Panamanian territory. Panama is sovereign of the canal zone, notwithstanding the fact that she has conceded to the United States certain rights of maintaining, operation, sanitation and protection of the canal.

"The Government of Panama has expressed its disconformity with the fact it was not given the opportunity of participating in the conference starting in London tomorrow.

"This position of ours is due not only to the similarities between the Suez Canal and the Panama Canal but also because Panama is in sixth place among nations using the Suez Canal."—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Retain (4).
4 Brigands (7).
8 Apartment (4).
9 Bathing-place (4).
10 Cattle thief (7).
11 Pare (4).
12 Lake (4).
14 Edicts (7).
17 Worship (5).
19 Elevate (5).
22 Military man (7).
26 Detail (4).
27 Cure (4).
28 Lays waste (7).
29 Flower (4).
30 Stupefy (4).
31 Loathes (7).
32 Expanded (4).

DOWN

2 Banished (6).
3 Due (6).
4 Drilled (5).
5 Lucky charm (6).
6 Hinder (5).
7 Subject (5).
12 Spoils (4).
13 Register (4).
15 Send out (4).
16 Check (4).
18 Command (6).
20 Sickening (6).
21 Old and feeble (6).
23 Speak (5).
24 Male bird (5).
25 Reposes (5).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Mishap, 6 Issue, 8 Crime, 9 Sortie, 10 Panic, 11 Demon, 12 Exit, 13 Scene, 16 Redeem, 18 Abides, 20 Dales, 22 Once, 23 Asked, 25 Burro, 26 Tanned, 27 Elder, 28 Metre, 29 Defend. Down: 1 Mastered, 2 Survival, 3 Acid, 4 Preened, 5 Imposts, 6 Seance, 7 Union, 14 Eminence, 15 Extended, 16 Remote, 17 Deleted, 19 Bearer, 21 Acute, 24 Dare.

SUITS OF THE FUTURE

People stopped and stared when three models — demonstrating new types of industrial and protective clothing were seen arriving for the British Industrial Textiles Trade Fair, held recently in London. The outfits are left to right, an asbestos suit designed for use when working in the tunnel kilns of the potteries, a new Nursing Sisters uniform, and an inflatable exposure suit for the British Royal Air Force for protection in an emergency.

Burma Believes In Peaceful Solution To Border Problem

Rangoon, Aug. 15.

Burmese official circles today reaffirmed their belief in a peaceful solution of the problem created by the concentration and infiltration of Chinese troops along the northern frontier.

In the face of fresh reports on the massing of Chinese troops and the infiltration of the Wa State, near the north-east border, officials pointed out to the "very cordial and friendly relations" between the two countries.

Government circles indicated that a face-to-face conference between the two governments will take place, although it seems impossible to reconcile the present stands taken by both countries.

Not Marked

China had argued that it violated neither the "five principles" agreement reached at Bandung nor the Burmese border, since Chinese troops had established outposts in the Wa State long before the agreement was signed in 1954. China also claimed that the border area was not marked.

Regarding the 1941 border agreement signed by the former British and Nationalist Chinese governments, China has pointed out that it had declared in 1949 that it would not honour any commitment made by the former regime if such commitments were not beneficial to the people of China.

Burma holds that under international law, the 1941 border agreements must be honoured by the successor governments, and argues that Chinese troops were not established in Burma until the end of 1955.

Should Withdraw

Burma further claimed that there could be no question of the validity of the 1941 agreement, and that China should withdraw her troops from Burmese soil prior to any discussions on points of agreement.

Despite the divergent attitudes of the two countries, Burmese officials stated that China was sincere, and that the whole matter could be settled peacefully and to the benefit of both countries.—France-Presse.

Earl Warren Visiting India

Zurich, Aug. 15.

Mr Earl Warren, Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court, left here today for New Delhi, where he will be the guest of Indian Premier, Jawaharlal Nehru. He was accompanied by Mrs Warren.—France-Presse.

GERM OF AN IDEA

Sydney, Aug. 15.

A "party" to infect girls with German measles, "would not do much harm," according to the New South Wales director-general of health, Dr H. G. Wallace.

"It might do some good," he said.

He was commenting on a recent statement in London by a doctor who advocated that young girls should get German measles before marriage.

His plan was that "infection camps" would avert the chance of women contracting German measles during pregnancy and giving birth to children in danger of suffering from heart trouble or blindness.—China Mail Special.

HOUSES SLIDE DOWN HILL

Wellington, Aug. 15.

The City Council was faced with fast work recently as during the height of a storm three old houses started sliding down a hill.

Two of the houses were empty and the third was hurriedly evacuated.

All moved several feet before they were stopped.—China Mail Special.

Catches Crocodiles With Bare Hands

Brisbane, Aug. 15.

A migrant, Arvids Blumentals formerly of Latvia, boasts that he catches crocodiles with his bare hands. He says he dazzles the crocodiles with a powerful spotlight, grabs them around the neck and hauls them into his boat for the kill with a knife.

He hopes to bring back live specimens for Australian and overseas zoos, and to sell mounted specimens to Olympic visitors.—China Mail Special.

SALEM CAN'T UNDERSTAND ALL THE FUSS

London, Aug. 15.

Major Salah Salem, the former Egyptian Minister of National Guidance, said here tonight it was "quite disastrous" that such a fuss should be made about Egypt's nationalisation of the Suez Canal "for the sake of ten million pounds sterling enjoyed by a few shareholders."

The Major, here to report tomorrow's Suez conference for the paper he now edits, was speaking in a British radio discussion of the Suez dispute. The programme, arranged hurriedly, replaced a variety show called "Dancing by the Sea."

Major Salem said that the London conference in his view had lost its value as a means of solving the Suez situation because it overlooked the United Nations as the recognised body to deal with international situations.

Compensation

"It is quite disastrous that such a fuss should be made for the sake of ten million pounds sterling enjoyed by a few shareholders," he said.

"Egypt in a decision within her sovereign rights, intended to spend this sum for the benefit of 23 million Egyptians —without neglecting to compensate fairly the shareholders.

"I am sure that international public opinion will find it unacceptable that millions of human beings should lose their lives and thousands of millions of pounds be wasted for that small number of shareholders."

Major Salem said the whole matter should be referred to the United Nations or Egypt's proposal for a more widespread conference of nations should be accepted.—Reuter.

FIRST 'GREAT LOVER' MARRIED

Las Vegas, Aug. 15.

Francis X. Bushman, the first "great lover" of the silent screen, was married here today for the fourth time, taking as his bride a neighbour he met only three months ago.

The 73-year-old former star and Mrs Charles W. Richardson, 53, were married in a ceremony by District Judge Frank McNamee taking but a minute and a half. It was Mrs Richardson's third marriage.

The former matinee idol and Mrs Richardson flew here from Hollywood for the ceremony and after a two-day honeymoon they will fly back.

COWBOY ACTOR

Rex Bell, former cowboy actor and husband of the silent-screen star Clara Bow, was best man. Mr Bell is Lieutenant Governor of Nevada. Mimi Marlo, social director at a resort hotel here, was maid of honour.

Bushman said he and Mrs Richardson discovered they had a common interest in rose gardening and their acquaintance quickly ripened into romance.

The actor's third wife, the former Norma Atkins, died last February 24. They had been married 24 years. Bushman is a great-grandfather while Mrs Richardson has a son, Lieut.-Col. Lee Richardson, stationed in Korea.—United Press.

Rise In Crime After Amnesty

Colombo, Aug. 15.

Crime throughout Ceylon has risen considerably in the last two months, especially in the bigger towns.

Senior police officials say that the rise became very apparent soon after 900 prisoners came out under the amnesty in connection with the Buddha Jayanti Celebrations early in May.

Most of these prisoners are still unemployed and it is the belief of the investigating authorities that these released prisoners have formed themselves into small gangs and now operate in towns and areas with which they are familiar.—China Mail Special.

SHIPS DIVERTED

London, Aug. 15.

Four British freighters and a Greek vessel under charter to a British company were re-routed around the Cape of Good Hope today to avoid the Suez Canal.

All ships are on the Britain-Australia run and will detour South through the cool of the southern waters to lighten the load on canal dues.—United Press.

Repudiation Of Debts And Canal

No Mere Coincidence Says Holland

London, Aug. 15.

Dutch Foreign Minister J.M.A.H. Luns conferred with British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd today after hours after he flew to London for the Suez conference.

It was believed Luns mentioned the close connection between the Suez crisis and the recent cancellation of Dutch debts by Indonesia.

Holland sent a memorandum to several Western nations, including Great Britain, France and the United States, on Indonesia's repudiation of her debts and of her protest to Djakarta.

It was believed that Luns might take advantage of the Suez conference to conduct private talks on the Indonesian debt problems with Britain, the United States and France.

MISGUIDED

Earlier, Luns made a veiled reference to the Indonesian action when he told reporters at the airport: "My government is deeply concerned about the misguided tendencies of some of the newly independent supra-nationalistic states of the Middle and Far East to violate their international agreements, to forgo their pledged word and to ignore the rules of international law."

The Dutch feel that Indonesia's action was the first of the chain reactions to be set off by President Gamal Abdel Nasser's seizure of the canal company.

According to Dutch informants, the news of Nasser's coup against the West was used as a weapon by Indonesian newspapers to press their government for firmer and tougher action against Holland. The press campaign culminated in the repudiation of 650,000,000 guilders worth of debts.

CANCELLATION

The Dutch say the dates are more than a coincidence. Nasser's seizure was July 26, and Indonesia's cancellation of her debts was August 3.

Luns was accompanied by Dutch Ambassador to Britain Dr D. U. Stikker, a former Dutch Foreign Minister himself. —United Press.

Troop Withdrawal Conference Advocated

Paris, Aug. 15.

Communist Chinese Vice-Chairman Chu Teh, described as just and reasonable the proposal made by the North Korean and Chinese governments regarding the holding of a conference of interested countries to discuss the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea and the peaceful unification of the country.

Chu Teh was speaking at a reception held in Peking today by the North Korean Charge d'Affaires, Mr Kim Kui Nam, in celebration of the 11th anniversary of the liberation of Korea, the New China News Agency reported tonight.

REJECTED

He said the United States not only rejected the proposal but unilaterally declared the stoppage of activities in South Korea of the inspection teams of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission.

"The people of China were opposed to any attempt to wreck the peace of Korea and would, together with the Korean people and all other peace-loving countries and peoples, maintain the armistice agreement and work for the peaceful solution of the Korean question, Vice-Chairman Chu Teh said, the agency added. —France-Presse.

VIVIEN LEIGH SAYS IT: 'TOO OLD'

By LOGAN GOURLAY

VIVIEN LEIGH curled up in a corner of her dressing-room sofa beneath the drawing on the wall by Whistler (not of his mother) and made a candid admission:—

"I'm too old, I'm afraid. Too old."

She was not talking about retiring. She was telling me why after creating the part on the stage in *The Sleeping Prince* she was not going to play it in the film version. (As everyone should know by this time Marilyn Monroe will play it opposite Miss Leigh's husband, Sir Laurence Olivier.)

Miss Leigh explained "I really could not have played it myself in the film.

"After all, the part does call for a young girl. It's all right on the stage. The audience isn't too close and you can play younger parts.

"But you can't deceive the film cameras. They show up too much."

Vivien Leigh and husband Sir Laurence Olivier.

No division

She was perhaps being too harshly realistic about herself—and setting a precedent among maturing leading ladies.

It's said that any woman looks young and beautiful after a few gins, but I don't think I was influenced by the two gins and tonic I had been given—or by the heady flower scent from the vase behind me. To me, Miss Leigh, in black slacks and matching blouse, looked like a woman in the slim, unlined, attractive thirties.

But then, I am not a camera.

As a columnist I must report that she is now 42 (12 years and many films older than Miss Monroe).

Miss Leigh has one film part lined up which will present no age problem—and which she will not be offering to Miss Monroe. It is Lady Macbeth, opposite her husband's Macbeth in his next large-scale Shakespearian film which he plans to start next year.

"We're also hoping to do a stage season together with a repertory of plays."

So the celebrated, often-criticised partnership of Olivier and Leigh will continue professionally. (He will only be having 40 winks in *The Sleeping Prince* with Miss Monroe.)

And the partnership looks like continuing matrimonially too after 15 years and many rumours of rifts.

At least they were on loving terms when Sir Laurence visited the dressing-room while I was there. Unless they were acting for my benefit—and I hardly think so.

He said: "What about supper tonight, Puss?"

She said: "We're going out. But don't worry. I'll book the table, darling."

He said: "That's sweet of you, Puss."

She said: "No trouble, darling."

Then he was gone, after kissing her on the cheek and saying:—

"Take care, Puss. See you later."

She sometimes applies that affectionate pet name Puss to him too. But it suits her better of course. And of course, she's a Siamese puss.

She can be aristocratically aloof, hissingly temperamental, or purringly friendly.

She can also in the well-bred feline manner be philosophically detached when necessary.

"When you're in the spotlight you have to be," she said, toying with the fancy box holding two packs of cards, which she keeps in the dressing-room for sessions of patience between acts.

"I don't pretend, like a lot of other stars, that I never read my notices. But I take the bad ones calmly. Otherwise I'd go out of my mind."

She had a diplomatic answer for the question—"Do you fret about those frequent criticisms that your acting isn't as good as your husband's?"

"No. Nobody's acting is as good as his."

I changed the subject to income tax—every star's problem. But she said: "No, I haven't any tax problems. Least, I don't think so. But I leave all that to my business manager. He tells me what I owe—and I sign the cheques.

Fortunately for Mr Noel Coward she will not flee the country, as he has done, to escape the tax collectors, deserting her part in his hit West End play, "South Sea Bubble."

No admirers

★ Outside the stage door, when I left, I bumped into a crowd of eager men of all ages. But they were *not* fans and admirers of Miss Leigh.

Her stage door is bang next to the front door of that well-known theatre—which never closed—the Windmill.

P.S.—As yet Miss Leigh, entering or leaving, has not been asked for her autograph by a young man mistaking her for the lady who does the Windmill bubble dance.

Heaven help any young man who does.

DID ANYONE MENTION SUEZ?

AMERICA IS THINKING ABOUT OTHER THINGS

DON IDDON'S DIARY

NEW YORK Tuesday

THE Americans have suddenly become gloomier about the Suez crisis. Since President Eisenhower and Mr Dulles appeared in the telecast which 25,000,000 watched and heard, there has been breakdown.

I have to report a general wringing of hands, melancholia, and chronic depression.

Ever since I arrived back in New York after my Hollywood sortie I have been greeted with: "What a crazy, mixed-up mess!" And the suggestion is that the Americans want little part of it.

No one seems to remember, if they ever knew, that the British hurried up their departure from the Canal Zone at the United States' insistence.

I would like to cable that Britain's bold stand and our

Ike . . . He is caught in an election straitjacket.

movements of troops and warships were being hailed here as a forthright and admirable action. But it would not be true.

At the United Nations headquarters in New York, where the atmosphere is like a morgue, the diplomats tell me bluntly that the West has already lost hopes of re-establishing stability in the Middle East; that relations between the Western Powers, particularly Britain and France, and the "uncommitted third" of the world have been damaged deeply; and that a breach between the United States on the one hand and Britain and France on the other has been opened or brought into the open.

Washington hints the same thing. And the Herald Tribune's Marguerite Higgins, married to a general who is a friend of Mr Eisenhower, reports solemnly that in American opinion, if Britain and France use force there will be:

1. Guerilla warfare throughout the entire Arab world;
2. Dynamiting and other sabotage of the Suez Canal waterway; and
3. Dynamiting and other sabotage of Western-controlled oilfields in the Arab world.

Whatever we do we are damned, according to several diplomats at the United Nations and in Washington. They tell me that, of course, if Colonel

Nixon . . . He is fighting a move to dump him.

Nasser backs down under the pressure of the multi-nation conference and moral force it would be a triumph for the West.

But who expects that? Scarcely anybody here except Mr Dulles, and he may be indulging in wishful thinking.

He cannot be happy about American reaction to the seizure of the Suez by a robber dictator.

Some of the comment here is jarring. There is that in the extremely influential United States News and World Report: "War talk, it's noted, develops fast when interests of other nations are hurt. When U.S. interests are hurt and firmness is asked it's warmongering."

Almost every section of the Press here is urging "caution, care, restraint." Even the Hearst Press, often so bellicose, says: "Caution does it." And the New York Daily News, the biggest-circulating newspaper in the United States, is back on the old isolationist stand and saying: "We get the uneasy impression that British and French politicians hope to push the United States out front in the job of settling the world-wide fracas kicked up by Egyptian dictator Nasser's theft of the Suez Canal."

By a supreme irony, Senator Joseph McCarthy, our old critic, now steps forward as a friend and says: "Nasser is a crackpot and a screwball, whose grip on the Suez Canal should be broken by military action."

I have quoted from American newspapers because they are printing what the American people are saying about the Suez crisis. Let us get one thing absolutely straight—we can expect only moral and economic pressure from here in the struggle against Nasser. There will be no use of force by the United States.

This is election year and Nasser knows it. You cannot expect any leadership of the West from this country until the election results in November, or perhaps as late as the inauguration of a new President next January.

Leadership has come to a grinding halt, despite Mr Dulles' television speech and the President's presence.

If the multi-nation conference is defied by Nasser, the British and the French will have to go it alone as far as using force is concerned, while the United States murmurs some encouragement—and I'm not too sure of this even—from the sidelines.

The hands of President Eisenhower are not merely tied. The man is in an election jacket—a straitjacket. Any hint of sending American troops to help quell the Nasser revolt against international law would result in the Republicans being tagged "war party." To be called a "war party" is a sure way of losing the Presidential election.

Here in New York and throughout America, despite the Suez headlines, the main topics of conversation and attention are:

1. The President's health or lack of it.

2. The duel between Vice-President Richard Nixon and Harold Stassen.

3. The Democratic Presidential Convention at Chicago.

Could there be anything more significant than this? At the President's last press conference almost all the questions asked by one of the best-informed groups of men and women in America were about the President's state of health and the Stassen movement to dump Nixon.

There were only two questions to the President about Suez and Nasser, and one was asked by a Frenchman and the other by a Texan.

Instead of talk on Suez there is the macabre probing into Mr Eisenhower's bodily functions and the chilling statement of

Stassen . . . . . He sparked off several questions.

William McGaffin, of the Chicago Daily News, that "people are afraid you will not live another four years."

The President, whose appearance and voice had changed noticeably since his operation for ileitis, answered all questions with dignity. He did not offer much information on Suez.

Suez? Nasser? They are not being talked about in Chicago this week, or next.

The business of Government goes on, but President Eisenhower and Mr Dulles are departing for San Francisco for the Republican convention next week.

Nasser will have to do something very drastic, or Britain and France will, for Americans' minds to be taken off their great national pastime—the Presidential political conventions.

Should this American preoccupation with their own particular affairs, their unwillingness to support any use of force, and their great gloom about the Suez crisis dissuade Britain from the decision she has taken? Not at all.

If my recent tour of the British Empire and Commonwealth taught me anything it was that the free world wants Britain to lead. It wants firmness and forthright action—the members of the British family say Britain must stand fast.

Any surrender to Nasser could mean at worst the beginning of the break-up of the Commonwealth and at best—and what a best!—a dreadful decline in the prestige of the mother country.

THE LIGHTWEIGHT BRIGADE INVADES LONDON

Must Englishmen continue to go out in the midday sun wearing suits as thick as carpet felt?

By PETER CHAMBERS

IS Sir Anthony Eden again setting the fashion pace for men? Years ago, he pioneered a hat. Now he is The Man In the Lightweight Suit. For Sir Anthony is one of the few public men in Britain who conspicuously changes his wardrobe during the summer.

British prejudice against lightweight clothes is deep-rooted. By convention, all upstanding Englishmen are supposed to sweat out the summer in hot serge.

Sir Anthony is defying convention. He rose to address the House on the Suez crisis wearing a bright blue lightweight suit. It was not only bright and light. It was shiny. The shine is in the cloth, a silk-and-wool lightweight mixture which at ready-made prices costs about 25 guineas a suit.

Sir Anthony alternates this April-skies creation with a pale grey double-breasted suit in 10oz. worsted. (Average weight of English suit-cloth is 16-18ozs.)

The Prime Minister looks conspicuous on the Government front bench. Butler, Macmillan, Monckton—most of the top men in the Cabinet adhere strictly to the striped-trouser, black-jacket mode.

And members of Parliament in general? Only a handful of them ever depart from the rigour wear for politicians—a dark lounge suit. Leaders of this lightweight brigade are Alan Lennox-Boyd (Colonial Secretary), Commander Robert Allan (Sir Anthony's parliamentary private secretary), Lord Hinchingbroke and Richard Stokes.

Mr Stokes, in the opinion of the House, rather exaggerates. He wears suits that are practically white.

Politicians can do it. In other walks of life—in the City, the Law, Banking—the lightweight suit is virtually debarred.

Barristers, for example.... If Londoners were dropping like flies in a topical heatwave you could scour the Temple from end to end and you would not find a single dead barrister with his jacket off. The same goes for stockbrokers and bank employees.

And yet every summer thousands of light-clad Americans pour into London, showing the British how you can keep cool and still look smart.

Actors, of course, are permitted to dress like Americans. I saw Peter Ustinov the other day in a brown-and-cream striped American seersucker suit. It was so light it practically floated on him.

English tailors have never heard of seersucker, and it is virtually impossible to buy a patterned lightweight suit off the peg in London. What you can buy are plain-coloured summer suits in unlined worsted. Prices: 14-22 guineas.

Not all Americans know how to dress for summer. Marilyn Monroe, sleek as a crocus, looked at fashion-odds with her playwright husband Arthur Miller when they arrived in London.

He wore a light, ill-fitting linen jacket over dark trousers. He was badly dressed.

Commercial TV's newscaster Ludovic Kennedy came up on the screen the other night in his shirtsleeves. "Hot, isn't it?" he said, obliquely excusing this outrage on English clothes convention.

On the same night the BBC newscaster was wearing a dark lounge suit. But naturally...

Will Sir Anthony's fashion-setting example get the Englishman to change his ideas about summer clothes?

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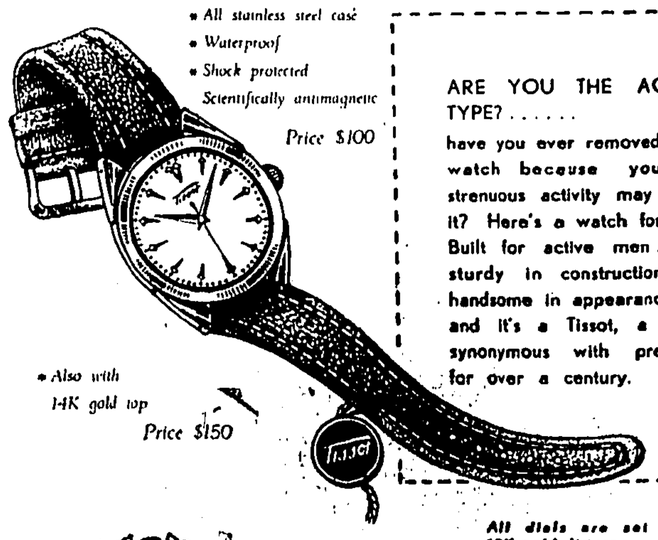

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This Funny World

"You've got yourself a live one!"

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

SINCE it is taken for granted that Captain Foulenough will turn up as usual on the Riviera this summer, there is much speculation on the name and disguise he will assume this year.

It is rumoured that a certain maharajah has already wormed his way into two parties on board the yacht of the financier Hector Koruthaloloo. But Foulenough himself said recently to "Tubby" Frothleigh that the "maharajah stunt has been rather overworked," and that people were more inclined to accept an Italian nobleman Would this explain the presence among the guests at a film star's villa near Beaulieu of a descendant of the ancient Florentine family of Olio-Sasso? Everyone is struck by the marches's luck at cards

Was Mr Colehouse anti-social?

THE Hotel manager having suggested that Mr Colehouse could have removed the pillow before dirtying it with his boots, Mr Goosebootle produced a diagram prepared by a psychologist. This, he claimed, showed that, without a pillow to support his head, the defendant could not have dragged his legs round his neck. Mr Snazbriver said that, even if this were granted, the fact remained that it was the defendant's determination to keep his boots on which led to the plaintiff's action in bringing this case. Why did not Mr Colehouse spread a newspaper over the pillow?

Gooseboote: This particular form of contortion requires intense concentration. The victim has no time to think of spreading newspapers. All his attention is fixed on tying himself in this complicated knot

Cockiecarrot: It seems to me that when a man has reached that stage of absurdity, he should go and live in a contortionists' colony In the modern world there is no place for a man who keeps on twisting his legs round his neck It is an anti-social practice

Nothing to do with me

The meringue hit her in the face, she said, so she threw it back at him

(News item)

Evidently a boomerangue, vouchsafed an Australian

TARGET

S	A	T
I	A	R
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How many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left in making each word the letters in each of the small squares may be used once only. Each word must contain the large letter in the centre square, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names.

TODAY'S TARGET: 21 words, good; 30 words, very good; 37 words, excellent Solution tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Anil fail fain faine fait fiant finial fins fit fit fitch fitt fitter flan flat flint nail nips pail pain pains paint pint pintail plain plaint PLAINTIFF plait pliants tail tain tit

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

BORN today, you have a penetrating and keen mind. Science and mathematics are two things in which you will shine. Your capacity for sustained effort is exceptional. It is very likely that you will achieve a certain measure of success quite early in life. If you do not, you must never blame the stars! They say you should reach success; blame only your own lack of effort if you fail!

You have a quiet reserve but with it a nature which makes friends easily. There is no forced pretence in your nature for you are genuine and forthright in all your attachments. You do, however, have a high temper and it is apt to fly off the handle at unimportant matters while you remain calm and objective in the face of a major crisis. You are, it appears, somewhat sensitive to what you consider a personal slight. You rise to your own defence, often losing your temper at the same time. This lessens the impact of your opposition. Learn to remain poised even under the most petty of annoyances.

You women are especially attractive and are always popular with members of the opposite sex. You are fun-loving and probably a little less serious-minded than your masculine brothers under the stars. It is likely that you will have more than one offer of marriage before you make your selection of a life partner. Your marriage and home life should be an exceptionally happy and contented one

Among those born on this date are: Antoine L. Lavoisier, chemist; Eugene O'Neill, playwright; John Prindle Scott, composer; John Pierce, scientist; and Mae Clark, silent film star.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Show enthusiasm about your job and you will find that you encourage the praise of the boss. A promotion?

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Conscientious attention to duty will pay rewarding profits, so concentrate on a major objective.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Use good judgment and your best wisdom in balancing the pros and cons of a situation, up for decision now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Make future plans and then stick to them assiduously if you want to make the indicated progress now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—A day to press for some important objective. See that you know what you want and — what is more — go after it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Fine prospects. See that you take full advantage of what a constructive attitude brings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—After putting things in order for the week-end at home or in the office, plan to relax tensions.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Organisation is what will bring the ultimate in results. Put forth your very best efforts.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—In dealing with others, make sure that you come out on the right side of the deal. Some can be tricky!

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—If you will show initiative and talent at the office, you may find yourself in line for an important new job.

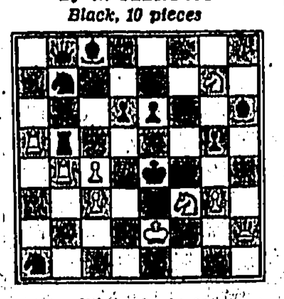
GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—This is not the day to have divided loyalties. If there is important business at hand, concentrate on it.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Morning hours could be used to exhibit kindly friendliness to someone who will appreciate your attentions.

CHESS PROBLEM

By N. PETROVIC

Black, 10 pieces



White, 9 pieces.
White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1, R—KKt3, threat 2, P×BP. 1 . . . P×KP; 2, R—QR3; 1 . . . P—B4; 2, Kt×RP; 1 . . . P—R5; 2, Kt—K34.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Singleton: Makes No-Trump Woes

By OSWALD JACOBY

YOU will usually find it easier to win nine tricks at no-trump than 11 tricks at a minor suit. However, "usually" doesn't mean "always." A successful player must be able to spot the hands that will not play well at no-trump.

In today's hand, South was not successful. He shouldn't have bid three no-trump and he was justly punished.

West opened the jack of spades, and South was a doomed man. He couldn't win nine tricks without tackling the hearts, but the moment hearts were touched East could take the ace of hearts and four remaining spades, defeating the contract

Now let's get back to the bidding South could see a singleton spade in his own hand. North's raise in diamonds indicated that North had no more than a doubleton in hearts—perhaps even a singleton. Short suits in both hands should have dictated a trump rather than a no-trump contract.

	NORTH		16
	♠ A 7 6 2		
	♥ Q 5		
	♦ Q J 9 7 4		
	♣ 9 5		
WEST		EAST	
♠ J 10 5		♠ K Q 9 8 4	
♥ J 10 6 2		♥ A 8	
♦ 8 3		♦ 6 2	
♣ Q 8 6 4		♣ J 10 7 3	
	SOUTH (D)		
	♠ 3		
	♥ K 9 7 4 3		
	♦ A K 10 5		
	♣ A K 2		
	North-South vul		
South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 N T	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead—♠ J

At diamonds, South easily makes 12 tricks. As we have seen, at no-trump only eight tricks can be made. The slam at diamonds depends on a perfect fit and on fairly good suit breaks, but the game at diamonds is practically unbeatable and should be bid

Instead of three no-trump, South should bid four clubs. If North can then jump to five diamonds, South will go on to six. Actually, North can bid only four diamonds, and South can then afford to bid only five.

♥♣ CARD Sense ♠♦

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been

North	East	South	West
1 Heart	2 Diamonds	?	

You, South, hold:
♠K 7 2 ♥J 7 5 ♦A Q ♣K Q J 3 2
What do you do?

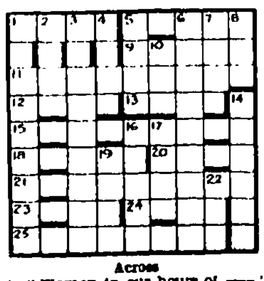
A—Bid three no-trump. This bid shows balanced distribution, stoppers in the opponent's suit and about 25 or 26 points.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠K 7 2 ♥K J 7 5 ♦A ♣K Q J 3 2
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD



Across

1. "Women in our hours of ——." (4)
5. Quiet, top driver! A penny later. (5)
9. Layer. rose about. (5)
11. Former. (9)
12. Irish butter men? (4)
13. "—— eyes, —— taste, everything." (Shakespeare.) (4)
15. Roof trash (anag.). (4, 5)
18. Cockles and mussels are, in song. (5)
20. The beautiful spy. (4)
21. Worth writing home about? Not apparently. (9)
23. Rearrange rite. (4)
24. One of a Scandinavian trio. (4)
25. Are they never at the centre of things? (8)

Down

1. They never, it is said, forget. (9)
2. City just ripe for a rag. (4)
3. Held up. (9)
4. Swallows. (4)
5. They are looked after by 25 Across. (4)
6. Corn in lib mixed up. (9)
7. Inched away? (4)
8. This provides a lot of colour. (8)
10. Ah! Both wars, too! (8)
14. This kind of horse is needed for a long race. (9)
16. Wards off. (5)
17. The flat goes round. (4)
19. "Lady Clara —— de ——." (4)
22. This down is . . . Ahs! (3)

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Yesterday's solution

WOMANSENSE

Two Major Trends Emerge From The German Collections—

The Empire Line And The Kelly Look

By Magda Meyer

BASICALLY, in the German autumn collections, there are two silhouettes: the trend towards the high bustline, drawing on the Empire line for inspiration; and a casual, very natural and uncluttered line of almost timeless elegance as exemplified by the simple shirtmaker dress.

These two main tendencies apply to all leading model houses, but all designers show their own individual interpretation, with many variations. In coats, ensembles, suits, after-ski models and evening dresses.

The persistence of the Empire theme in all collections is proof that designers continue to glorify graceful, feminine lines Hence, their predilection for softer fabrics and flattering, supple wool jerseys. The latter, in particular, are predicted a bright future

VARIETY

Reminiscences of the Empire fashion period are never unduly exaggerated but adapted to the general pattern of modern life. The bustline is accentuated and the waistline is placed where it belongs, although the high-waisted look is often achieved by means of sleeve- drapes, harmoniously styled and preferably folded neckline treatment, high-placed contour belts, tabs, bows and other accessories designed to highlight a short and graceful bodice.

These Empire line characteristics are particularly evident in sheaths for day and dressy afternoon wear of deceptively simple styling. They never have a nipped in waistline, the waist is indicated by a gentle incurving of seams and subtly-placed darts.

Variety is introduced by adding brief jackets. Tiny little boleros, spencers or camisole tops reach to about 5 inches above the waistline and again achieve the Empire line effect. These jackets have in most cases narrow ¾ length sleeves. Long buttoning and high-fastening yokes are further details worthy of interest.

CASUAL NOTE

The second successful trend is the causal note as expressed in the shirtmaker style, which, in the United States, is occasionally termed the "Grace Kelly Look". This type of dress is by no means confined to actual shirt dresses with regular pleated shirt front, but applies to a style trend which embodies a sense of natural proportions avoiding all undue extravagance.

As a result of this silhouette, the casual cowhide belt has made a welcome reappearance. It is worn at waist level, thus separating the top from a fanciful skirt section.

Skirts are slightly narrower than of late and often feature decorative folds or pleats. Wheather they are pressed or unpressed, entirely depends on the type of the dress. The popularity of the chemisier has even captured the field of formal attire.

ENSEMBLES

Evening dresses styled along the shirtmaker line are exceptionally young looking and new and rely on precious materials, including wool brocade, in deep, rich tones for their appeal. Full - skirted, ankle - length models frequently feature a shirtwaist top, high neckline and small collar.

The theme of separates and co-ordinates is re-emphasised in all collections on the count of their versatility allowing for a wide variety of interchangeable outfits. As always, great attention has been paid to 3-and 4-piece ensembles, suits with matching toppers or brief coats.

Incidentally, the influence of high-grade woollens in new patterns and designs is noticeable in the trend of styling for the coming autumn and winter. Among the latter, Prince of Wales checks in an almost unlimited selection of designs take pride of place in all collections, followed by shepherd's and houndstooth checks and wool plaids.

FABRIC NEWS

It is interesting to note that while clear-cut, contrasting designs were holding popular preference last spring, there is a definite move now towards blurred designs in darker tones.

The latest novelty cloths include finely-patterned dress woollens. They are already firmly established with model houses. These weaves are of almost coarse, rustic structure and have a casual appearance. Restrained in their colour chart, they are hard to identify when viewed at a distance and give the illusion of monotones. Deadleaf and other autumnal shades are the most in demand. All these fabrics are loose textured, rough or even dry handling.

The tendency towards soft materials for stylish afternoon dresses makes wool muslin the very fabric of fashion. In addition to wool georgette returning to the fashion picture, wool twill, wool satin and wool jersey are rating high in importance.

POPULAR TONES

A report on current fashion and the latest style trends would be incomplete without mentioning the expanding boutique sections that have sprung up everywhere. Here, they feature a tremendous variety of separates and co-ordinates forming interchangeable sets. Most interesting of them all are the many after-ski suggestions favouring full brocade skirts teamed with plain knitted or jersey wool sweaters.

As regards colours, greys—with the exception of very dark tones — have been ousted by brown shades and are second in popularity. There are many neutral tones where it is impossible to say whether they are tending towards brown or green.

Apart from these soft tones, there is still a wide range of pastel shades such as beige, sand, honey, sky, lapis lazuli, flame red and coral. Promising are olive, terracotta, a series of brownish colours and a glowing copper version.

Contrary to forecasts voiced in some quarters that black will lose ground still further, it should be mentioned that it is extensively featured in afternoon wear for all age groups.

TOP LEFT: Youthful-looking dress in slate-coloured wool featuring a shallow neckline and full skirt. A leather belt at waistline level also marks the transition from top to skirt when teamed with a bloused jacket. Both the dress and the jacket show the same intricate tuck detail at the sleeve head. TOP RIGHT: This wrap-around coat in beige-coloured, diagonally-patterned lightweight wool is designed to meet the popular demand for casualness. Buttonless, the model fastens with a self-belt. While the styling of the sleeves points to a classic silhouette, the generous air is achieved by the high collar in brown beaver. BOTTOM LEFT: An autumn suit in sand-coloured duvetcen styled along the softly-moulded silhouette. The cuffs and cap in ocelot are toned to harmonise with the ground shade of the fabric. The cut-on sleeves are three-quarter length and gradually widen out. BOTTOM RIGHT: A cone-shaped silhouette emerges as the result of this generous cut which almost ignores the contours of the body line. Although the front appears shallow, fulness and the cut-on sleeves effect are carried to the back. Wool fleece is the material used. A giant velvet bow at the collar provides a charming contrast.

To Boost Your Morale —

Get a Cossack Hat for Winter

By EILEEN ASCROFT

I SAW the last of the important Paris collections the other day. It was, perhaps, the best of all. Castillo, like Balenciaga, is a Spaniard and brings some of the colourful pageantry of the bullring to his clothes.

I liked his romantic hooded cloaks, his rich brocaded satins and colour scheme of violet with white.

After viewing thousands of dresses and suits, and many hundreds of hats, these are my Paris fashion pointers for winter:

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Cossack hats: You will have to buy one of these. In velvet or fur, they are very dashing, and can be worn straight or at an angle.

Capes: If you are very tall and slender a cape is for you. But if you are under 5 ft 5in leave them severely alone.

Suits: If you are looking for something right up to date it will be in red, black, blue or violet. It will be in a hopsack or basket-weave wool, and have rounded shoulders and three-quarter sleeves. The jacket will be shorter than last season.

Evening frocks: If it is a new evening dress you are planning draped chiffon is news in Paris—in the pale colours of sugar almonds. All the leading designers show them.

Shoes: Still those very pointed toes. But lots of aluminium super-strong slender heels. And no more gold or silver for evening wear. All dresses now have slippers and gloves dyed to match.

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Dresses: Take your choice of what suits you. The sheath is still high fashion. Though Dior shows a fuller skirt with a padded hip-line, the former is certainly more flattering.

Cocktail gowns: They tend to be full-skirted over layers of petticoats. An attractive young style that has never quite gone out of fashion.

But if your purse is slender and you want to achieve the new winter look on a shoestring, my advice is plump for one of the new Cossack hats. It will do more for your morale than anything else you can buy.

How To Choose Flattering Jewellery

By JEANNE D'ARCY

WOMEN spend hours choosing lipstick, pondering the proper powder shade, wondering which hairdo will prove becoming. But very few give any thought to beauty aspects when purchasing costume jewellery.

It's a mistake. That's the word from a company famous for its costume gems. They feel women should think in beauty terms when outfitting themselves with earrings and necklaces.

For Round Face

With a round face, for example, a drop earring is preferable. It draws the eye down, gives the face the illusion of length.

For a long, narrow face, wear a button earring or one that sweeps up on the ear to give the illusion of broadening and lifting the face.

If your neck is short and fat, or even short and thin, a long necklace will elongate the line. A choker, on the other hand, tends to cut the neckline and make the neck seem shorter than ever. With a giraffe-like neck, the opposite is true, and nothing, but nothing, is better than a choker.

Consider The Colour

Even colour should be a big consideration.

With a tan or black outfit, white jewellery provides a dramatic touch. With silvery hair, mauve and sapphire-coloured jewels are a soft, glowing accent. Turquoise makes blue eyes seem even bluer and nothing does more for a green-eyed girl than emerald-coloured gems. For brown eyes, wear gleaming amber and, if skin tends to be sallow, consider rose quartz.

Take care in selecting jewels and you'll really sparkle with beauty.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

If you are painting a piece of furniture and wish it to appear inconspicuous, paint it the same colour as the background, or a similar shade.

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If your fingernails are brittle and likely to break and snag your nylons, wear a pair of cotton or nylon gloves when you wash the hose. Swish and squeeze through the soapsuds, blot on a towel to squeeze out the excess water from both hose and gloves, then hang both up to dry.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Knarf Visits The Pond

—He Finds That Some Folks Really Like Mud—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow boy, walked along the edge of the pond saying in a loud voice: "A fine pond this is! All full of mud!"

"How's that?" said a frog, putting its head up out of the water.

"I said this was a fine pond. It's all full of mud."

"So it is," answered the frog. "What do you want at the bottom of a pond—a sidewalk?"

Knarf didn't bother arguing with the frog, especially as the frog wisely dived down under the water again (and probably head-first into the mud). A few yards further on Knarf saw some ducks paddling around.

"Better not stick your heads in," Knarf said. "This pond is full of mud."

Loud Cackles

The ducks glanced at each other curiously for a moment, then they burst into loud cackles, or more correctly, quackles. "Full of mud, he says! Full of mud! If this pond weren't full of mud we wouldn't find anything to eat in it and we wouldn't come down here at all. Full of mud he says! That's wonderful!"

And one after the other they tipped over, with their heads in the mud and their tails in the air.

Knarf saw there wasn't any use arguing with them either. Finally, at the other end of the pond, he came to a chicken standing on the edge and looking into the water.

"What's in this pond besides water?" the chicken asked.

"Mud," said Knarf. "Soft mud, full of things to eat."

"Really?" said the chicken.

"The frog likes it," said Knarf. "The ducks like it. You'll probably like it, too."

"Indeed!" exclaimed the chicken in an insulted tone. "I may be a chicken but I'm not a fool. So it's full of mud, is it? Well, the frog can like it and the ducks can like it, and for all I know you can like it. But I'll have nothing to do with it. This pond is nothing but a big mud puddle. Good-day!"

Knarf smiled as she strutted off, bobbing her head indignantly as she went. "Chickens know what they're talking about." Then he added: "Maybe frogs and ducks do, too. Maybe mud is good for some folks, bad for others."

Then Knarf went singing down the road.

This is the song he sang:

I'm not very fond
Of my little pond
The bottom's too oozy
And woozie and squoozie
But if I was a duckie
I'd consider it lucky
To find such a pond.
I'm terribly fond
Of anything oozy
And woozie and squoozie.

"How's that?" said a frog, putting its head out of the water.

Rupert and the Fire Bird—37

Making straight for one of the higher terraces the bird lets Rupert slide gently from its back and as it stretches its great wings two astonished penguins waddle forward. "How now? Why is a little wingless animal brought here? Who are you?" they demand. "I'm Rupert and I don't know why I'm here," says the little bear nervously. "Well, you'd better think of a reason," says the Penguin. "This is the palace of the King of the Birds and we're expecting that he'll be here at any minute."

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BRIAN STATHAM PUTS LANCASHIRE WELL ON TOP AGAINST AUSSIES

Manchester, Aug. 15.

England fast bowler Brian Statham, who took six wickets for 27, put Lancashire well on top on the opening day of their match against the Australians here today.

The Australians, who were playing on a strip adjacent to the one which occasioned so much criticism in the Fourth Test, found no counter to Statham and had scored 86 for seven when rain washed out play over two hours before the scheduled close.

Helped by a following wind on a pitch of changing pace, Statham swept through the Australian side in the 105 minutes play possible today

He struck the first blow with the last ball of his second over, getting Jack Rutherford caught behind the wicket and then with his next delivery he clean bowled Colin McDonald. Craig averted a hat trick but Neil Harvey went soon afterwards, caught at second slip by fellow Australian Ken Grieves.

INDIFFERENT LIGHT

He continued the rout in indifferent light during the afternoon adding Ron Archer, Peter Burge and Alan Davidson to his bag

This made the Australians 15 for three and two more wickets fell at 42, Colin Smith having Craig easily caught and Statham dismissing Ron Archer with a perfect outswinger.

Richie Benaud played a fine innings of 35 not out, including one six and six fours all off Smith, but the Australians still need nine runs to top their lowest total against a county on this tour 94 against Yorkshire at Bradford

Statham took his wickets in ten point two overs at a cost of 22 runs, finishing with six for 27 well on the way to improving his previous best figures of seven for 39, achieved against the South Africans in the Lord's test last season

THE SCOREBOARD

Australia First Innings

Rutherford, c Jordan, b Statham	4
C. C McDonald, b Statham	4
R. N Harvey, c Grieves, b Statham	6
I D Craig, c Edrich, b Smith	13
P Burge, lbw b Statham	13
R G Archer, b Statham	0
R Benaud, not out	35
A K Davidson, c Wharton, b Statham	0
L Maddocks, not out	4
Extras	7
Total (for seven wkts.)	86

Wickets fell at: 7, 8, 15, 42, 42, 49, 57, to bat — I W Johnson, P Crawford.

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Statham	12	2	27	6
Smith	12	3	52	1

—Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET

Denis Compton Scores His Second Century Of The Season

London, Aug. 15.

England fast bowlers Frank Tyson and Brian Statham, who have been chosen for the MCC tour of South Africa later this year, were in splendid form in today's cricket programme.

While Statham was ripping through the Australian batting at Manchester taking six for 27 for Lancashire, Tyson put Northampton in a strong position against Derbyshire by claiming seven wickets for 46 at Wellingborough

Other members of the touring party named yesterday met with mixed fortunes. Worcestershire's Test opening bat Peter Richardson was out to the first ball he received from Alan Walker, Nottinghamshire's Australian-born pace bowler. Doug Insole, of Essex, the tour vice-captain, steadied his side with a sound knock of 75 against Hampshire, after the fall of quick wickets

Denis Compton, who is hoping for one of the three vacant places in the MCC side, enhanced his claim with a fine innings of 101, his second century of the season, made in 2½ hours. He hit 16 fours for Middlesex against Kent.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Lord's: Middlesex 304 for five (Compton 101, W Edrich 67 Delisle 63, versus Kent).

At The Oval: Sussex 175 (Parks 59, Lock four for 38). Surrey 95 for four

At Cheltenham: Gloucestershire 232 for two (Milton 74, Young 62, Knightley-Smith not out 56) versus Glamorgan Rain curtailed play

At Portsmouth: Essex 241 (Insole 75, Cannings five for 69) versus Hampshire Essex all out at close

At Weston - Super - Mare: Somerset 278 for six (McCool 85 Tremlett not out 63) versus Warwickshire.

At Wellingbrough: Derbyshire 126 (Tyson seven for 46). Northamptonshire 59 for two. Rain restricted play

At Nottingham: Worcestershire 71 (Dooland eight for 20) Nottinghamshire 194 for four (Poole 123, Stocks 52).

At Scarborough: Leicestershire 133 for four (Jackson 87) versus Yorkshire. Rain restricted play. Reuter.

SPARTAKIAD

European Record In Decathlon

Moscow, Aug. 15.

Soviet athlete Vassiliy Kuznetzov broke his own European Decathlon record when he totalled 7,728 points at the Spartakiad sports meeting here today.

His former record was 7,680 points

Soviet swimmer Hans Yunichev broke the European record for the 200 Metres Breast Stroke when he covered the distance in 2 minuts 34 seconds.

The former European record of 2 minutes, 35 seconds was set up by Denmark's Knud Gleie.

Kuznetsov came within 257 points of the world record for the Decathlon set up by America's Rafer Johnson in June, 1955, with 7,985 points.

He was also within 25 points of Johnson's score at the American Olympic Decathlon Tryouts at Crawfordsville, Indiana, last month when the California Negro set up the year's best figures in this event.

Kuznetsov's event by event performances for his new European Decathlon record were:

100 Metres Dash in 10.7 seconds.

Long Jump of 7.10 metres or 23 feet 3½ inches.

Shot Put of 13.71 metres or 44 feet 11¾ inches.

High Jump of 1.75 metres or 5 feet 8⅞ inches.

400 Metres Run in 50.8 seconds.

110 Metres High Hurdles in 14.4 seconds.

Discus Throw of 49.21 metres or 161 feet 5⅜ inches.

Pole Vault of 3.90 metres or 12 feet 9½ inches.

Javelin Throw of 64.98 metres or 213 feet 2¼ inches.

1,500 Metres Run in 5 minutes 11.0 seconds.—France-Presse.

UPSET

In the women's Shot Put, the world record-holder, Galina Zybina, of Leningrad, was unexpectedly beaten by Tamara Tyshkevich, of the same city.

Miss Tyshkevich had a throw of 16.22 metres (53 feet 2½ inches), while Miss Zybina threw 15.98 metres (52 feet 5 inches). Miss Zybina's world record is 16.67 metres (54 feet 8¼ inches).—Reuter.

LAWN TENNIS EXHIBITION MATCHES OFF

Cable advice has just been received from Dr Saroso, Captain of the Indonesian Touring Tennis Team, stating that owing to the illness of his players, the exhibition matches arranged by the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association on August 18, at the HKCC courts have to be cancelled.

Scottish Soccer League Results

London, Aug. 15.

Results of tonight's Scottish Football League cup matches were:

Airdrieonians	1	Motherwell	3
Ayr United	3	Third Lanark	3
Berwick R.	0	Cowdenbeath	3
Brechin City	3	Alloa Athletic	1
Celtic	2	Rangers	1
Dundee	1	Raith Rovers	0
Dunfermline A.	2	Queen o' South	1
East Fife	2	Aberdeen	1
East Stirling	3	Montrose	0
Forfar Athletic	4	Albion Rovers	2
H Academicals	5	Dumbarton	3
Hibernian	0	Falkirk	1
Partick Thistle	3	Hearts	1
Queen's Park	0	Clyde	1
St Mirren	2	Kilmarnock	2
Stenhousemuir	3	Dundee United	2
Stirling Albion	0	St Johnstone	0
Stranraer	2	Morton	4

—Reuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Golf

Children's Golf at Deep Water Bay, Shanghai Foursome.

Meeting

HKFA Interport Sub-Committee meeting at Sports Road, 5.45 p.m.

Bowls

Open Singles: Quarter-finals at KBGC and KCC.

Water-polo

Knock-out: First Round, RAF v Navy (Victoria Pool), 4.15 p.m.

TOMORROW

Meeting

HKFA Management Committee meeting at Sports Road, 5.45 p.m.

Water-polo

Knock-out: First Round, Army v Hoi Tin (Victoria Pool), 5.30 p.m.

Dai Will Soon Be Private Dower

Cardiff, Wales, Aug 15

Dai Dower, British and Empire Flyweight boxing champion, today underwent a medical examination here for national service training

The Welsh boxer, who has worked as a coal miner since he was 15, expects to be called up for the army within the next few years.

London promoter Jack Solomons said tonight "I was negotiating for Dower to go to the Argentine to fight Pascual Perez, the holder, for the world flyweight title, but duty comes before anything else."—China Mail Special.

Pirie Runs The Year's Fastest Two Miles

Croydon, Aug. 15.

Gordon Pirie, Britain's most versatile runner, celebrated his Olympic selection today for the 5,000 and 10,000 Metres by putting up the fastest world time this year for Two Miles.

Running at an international athletics meeting here tonight, 25-year-old Pirie clocked 8 minutes 42.6 seconds.

The world record, held by Hungarian Sandor Iharos, is 8 minutes 33.4 seconds.

Two months ago Pirie broke the world 5,000 Metres record and equalled the 3,000 Metres world mark.—Reuter.

TIPS FROM THE EXPERT

Oladipo Okuwobi, a Nigerian, who recently made a high jump of 6ft. 5 inches—the best recorded in Britain this year—is often to be seen training at the Charlton running track in London.

With him in this picture is 10-year-old Terry Dawes of London, a promising young athlete. Terry is seen being shown the correct way to get off the mark quickly at the start of a race.

Oladipo Okuwobi is a member of the Cambridge Harriers, a British athletic club, well-known for its members' outstanding achievements in track events.

Britain's Representatives At Melbourne—Strongest Ever Post-War Team

Says S. A. TOMLIN

The AAA Championships for men held in London recently brought together all the "possibles" for the first time this season, while the inter-city match, Prague versus London, gave the British women an opportunity to test their prowess in international competition.

In the AAA Championships conditions were far from favourable for really outstanding efforts. It rained almost continuously during the two-day meeting. Yet, despite such adverse conditions, a number of records were beaten.

The running of Eric Shirley and John Disley in the 3,000 Metres Steeplechase showed that, in them, Britain has a challenge to the best in the world They were not very interested in beating the stop watch. The prize was the title held by Disley, but the result produced a new Championship best of 8 minutes 51.6 seconds by Shirley, while Disley returned 8 minutes 53.4 seconds. On the basis of those figures they became first and second on the current world ranking list at that stage of the season Steeplechase.

ONE STEP NEARER

The Olympic implications of such a status are obvious, but become all the more encouraging when it is appreciated that both were having the first serious race in their preparation for the Games. Improvement was to be expected. A week later it came when Disley beat Czechoslovakian star Brlica in a new best 1956 time of 8 minutes 49.2 seconds. It is one step nearer Melbourne and the target of 8 minutes 35 seconds which these athletes have set themselves as a winning necessity (over five seconds faster than the existing world record).

Chris Chataway was another who, in seeking to defend his Three Miles title, was having his first important race of the season. He put up a great fight but, in a last-minute rush, was just not quite fit enough to hold off the speedy Royal Air Force runner, Derek Ibbotson, whose winning margin was so narrow that both runners were given the same time of 13 minutes 32.6 seconds. But that initial run, a time which few have beaten this year, would ensure him a place in the team of three for the 5,000 Metres.

His conqueror Ibbotson, and Gordon Pirie—present holder of the world record for the distance—would seem to be the other two probables. And that, on known statistics, is a much more powerful combination than any other country can apparently produce.

Britain would also seem to be very strong for the 10,000 Metres, having in Ken Norris, Frank Sando and Pirie three of the best six current world runners. In the Six Miles championship Norris narrowly defeated Sando in a new British record time of 28 minutes 13.6 seconds, which, when related to the metric distance, is some three seconds faster than the Olympic record that Zatopek put up in Helsinki in 1952 in a race where, it may be remembered, Sando finished fifth after running over half the distance with only one shoe.

WOMEN ATHLETES

Among the women athletes, nothing has been more encouraging than the steady progress of 22-year-old June Paul (formerly June Foulds) now back as one of the fastest women sprinters in the world today. She has beaten the British record this year, but the climax of her running came in Prague, where she proved a most convincing winner for London in both the 100 and 200 Metres races with respective times of 11.5 seconds and 24.1 seconds, both of which are only a fraction outside the existing world records. So Mrs Paul becomes a strong candidate to do what no other woman athlete from Britain has ever done—win an Olympic title.

With her in the team at Helsinki was a young hurdler named Pam Seaborne, for whom a great future was predicted. Now at last, as Mrs Elliot, and wife of Britain's leading pole vaulter, she would seem to have come into her own. Again the venue was Prague, where she won the 80 Metres Hurdles in a splendid 11.0 seconds which compares very favourably with the world record of 10.8 seconds held by the Australian Olympic hope Shirley Strickland.

And, thinking of world records, it must be recalled that Thelma Hopkins set up a new one for the women's High Jump of 5 feet 8½ inches early in the season. Britain has such a wealth of good jumpers that it has been something of a guess as to who would be likely to become associated with Thelma at Melbourne.

A PERSONAL BEST

One of those under consideration was Audrey Bennett, a young London girl. The trip to Czechoslovakia was her first overseas tour. It speaks well of her prowess and competitive ability that she should win the International High Jump with a leap of 5 feet 5 inches—not only a personal best, but also finding a place in the present world lists She beat L. Modrachova, a very prominent European jumper who has been considered a strong candidate for honours at Melbourne.

A number of other athletes of both sexes have also shown in recent weeks considerable improvement in their skill, and there is now little doubt that Britain's representation at Melbourne will be stronger relatively than at either of the previous post-war Games.

FOUR AUSTRALIANS ENTER INVITATION TENNIS QUARTER-FINALS

Newport, Rhode Island, Aug. 15.

All favourites advanced to the quarter-finals of Newport Casino's invitation tennis tournament today except Al Morris of Atlanta, Georgia.

Ken Rosewall, Neale Fraser, Mal Anderson and Ashley Cooper of Australia scored fourth-round victories to move into the quarter-finals along with Ham Richardson of Westfield, New Jersey, Grant Golden of Willamette, Illinois, and Mike Green of Miami Beach, Florida.

Rosewall, seeded first, defeated Barry Mackay of Dayton, Ohio, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3. Fraser downed Alejandro Olmedo of Peru 6-0, 6-3. Anderson eliminated Al Hagum of Coral Gables, Florida, 12-10, 6-1. And Cooper squeezed past Sam Giammalva of Houston, Texas, 6-3, 1-6, 6-3.

Richardson led the American advance by a decision over Mike Davies of Great Britain 6-4, 7-5, while Mike Green defeated Bill Quillian of Seattle, Washington, 6-3, 6-4. Morris, seeded eighth, fell by the wayside as Whitney Reed of Alameda, California, scored an 11-9, 9-7 triumph.

In top third-round doubles action Rosewall and Fraser teamed up to defeat Johann Kupferburger of South Africa and Morris 6-1, 4-6, 6-3. Straight Clark of Philadelphia and Bill Knight of Great Britain downed Garrido and Brown 6-2, 6-4, Giammalva and Mackay eliminated Davies and Roger Becker of Great Britain 3-6, 8-6, 6-3, and Cooper and Robert Mark downed Owen and Clayton 6-3, 6-4.

Vic Seixas of Philadelphia and Richardson defeated the team of Longshore and John Granston of San Marino, California, 6-2, 6-3, in a second-round doubles match and then upended Dick Sorlein of Philadelphia and Raskind 6-8, 6-2, 6-2. In a major doubles upset, Olmedo and Armando Vieira defeated Emerson and Cooper 6-2, 0-6, 9-7.—United Press.

AUSTRALIAN WOMAN SWIMMER TO ATTEMPT WORLD RECORD

Townsville, Australia, Aug. 15.

Lorraine Crapp, Australian women's swimming champion, said today she would attempt to lower her own world 440 yards free-style record under the "miracle five minutes" here on August 25.

Miss Crapp unofficially swam the distance in practice today, faster than her own 5:05.9 world record. She has performed that feat three times during the past week in training with the Australian Olympic team. On each occasion she swam effortlessly and did not try to extend herself.

The practice clockings were not announced.

Frank Guthrie, her coach, was confident Miss Crapp could bring the record close to the five-minute mark. She set the present record last February 18 in Sydney.

"There may have been some doubt about who is the best female swimmer in the world, but this should be the clincher," said Guthrie. "She already has achieved more in one week than any other swimmer, male or female, has done before."—United Press.

SOUTH AFRICAN TOUR

Sports Writers Join In Angry Chorus Against Omission Of Trueman

London, Aug. 16.

British sports writers today joined in angry chorus against omission of Freddie Trueman from the England Test team which will tour South Africa this winter.

Non-inclusion of the Yorkshire fast bowler was unanimously attributed to the "bad boy" label pinned on him after the stormy West Indies tour of 1953-54.

Big black headlines denounced the selectors' action "again blackballing" Trueman. They recalled how he had been similarly overlooked when the last team for Australia was chosen.

"Trueman banned—MCC can't forget that 'rebel tag,'" said Frank Fostron in the Daily Express.

"A disgrace," cried the Daily Herald's Charles Bray.

"Unfair to Trueman," proclaimed Crawford White in the News Chronicle.

"Is this a life ban?" asked the Daily Mirror.

"It's a shame to treat Trueman like this," agreed the Daily Sketch.

"This latest smear on Trueman is unbearable," said the Sketch's cricket correspondent, Stratton Smith. "The Yorkshire lad is being pilloried by the cricket overlords as a permanent example to those who might be themselves on tour."

OTHER COMMENTS

Other sample comments:

Crawford White (News Chronicle): "While his omission is not entirely unexpected, it is a thoroughly rough ride for the tough big-hearted Yorkshire lad who was good enough to bowl against Australia at Lord's and Leeds this season and who was picked to stand by at Old Trafford."

Charles Bray (Daily Herald): "Is Freddie still being punished for the incidents during the West Indies tour? If he is, it is disgraceful. He was punished by missing the last Australian tour. Since then he has calmed down considerably and has been good enough to play for England in England."

Michael Smith (Sporting Life): "The most remarkable omission is Trueman, who surely has established himself this summer beyond all dispute as the third, if not the second, best fast bowler in England."

Brian Chapman (Daily Mirror): "It seems certain that Freddie Trueman has received a life sentence banning him for ever from playing overseas."—United Press.

Cincinnati Redlegs Sweep Doubleheader From Chicago Cubs

New York, Aug. 15.

The Cincinnati Redlegs swept a doubleheader from the Chicago Cubs today, winning the opener, 4-3, on Frank Robinson's 15th inning bases-loaded single and taking the nightcap in six innings, 7-3, for pitcher Art Fowler with the help of Wally Post's grand slam home run.

It was Fowler's eighth win against 10 losses, but he gave up 10 hits in the abbreviated contest. Two singles, Jim Hughes' double and Don Hoak's triple, scored three runs for the Cubs in the fifth. Russ Meyer lasted only three innings, giving up six runs on five hits, to suffer his fifth loss against one win.

The Redlegs scored in the first, when Johnny Temple singled and Bob Thurman doubled. But in the third Temple singled and both Robinson and Ted Kluszewski walked before Post smacked his 23rd homer of the season. Smoky Burgess followed with his eighth homer.

The opener was a tight battle between Hal Jeffcoat, who allowed 10 hits in 12 innings, and Warren Hacker, who gave up 11 hits in nine-and-one-third innings.

Ed Bailey clouted his 21st homer with a man on, while Pete Whisenant got his ninth with one for the Cubs.

In the only other day game, the New York Yankees beat Tom Brewer for the sixth straight time in his career when they rallied for three runs in the seventh inning to score a 6-4 victory over the Boston Red Sox.

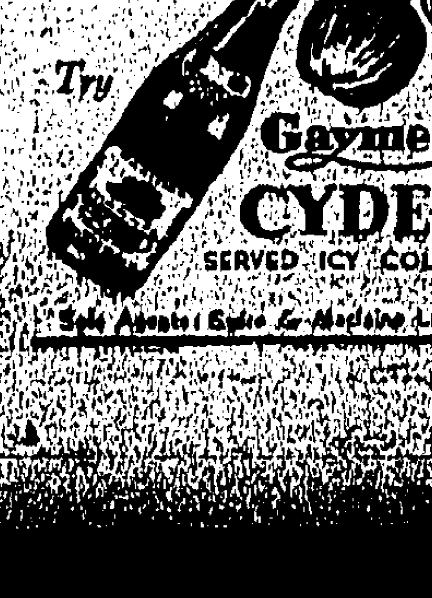
Hank Bauer singled home pinch-hitter Mickey McDermott with the tie-breaking run in the seventh and Billy Martin followed with a two-run double.—United Press.

Argentine Club Beaten By English Rugger Team

Buenos Aires, Aug. 15.

The Combined Oxford and Cambridge Universities Rugby Union team beat the Belgrano Club of Argentina by 17 points to eight here today, after leading 6-0 at half time.

The English side scored one goal, one penalty goal and three tries. Belgrano's points came from a goal and a penalty goal.—Reuter.



PRIZE TO STARTERS

The Channel Doesn't Let Anyone Get Across

Folkestone, England, Aug. 15.

An angry English channel today pounded the strength out of eight swimmers as one by one they were hauled helpless from the water in a fantastic international race from France to England.

For the first time in six cross-channel races sponsored by holiday camp king, Billy Butlin, no one finished the France-England course.

The last swimmer to capitulate was Jack McClelland, 32-year-old Belfast professional wrestler, who collapsed after 11 hours four minutes in the sea.

Squally seas had been running since eight swimmers of the original 22 plunged into the icy water just before dawn. The fourteen non-starters were either victims of sea-sickness or had been unable to land on the surf-thrashed French shore in their tiny boats.

They returned, angry and frustrated, to Folkestone to complain bitterly to Canadian-born Butlin that the race should not have been held. To complain that they could not even get ashore in France. Butlin, himself seasick on the night trip across from England, replied that had he been a contestant he would have swum the last 300 yards to shore.

Butlin later announced that prize money totalling £1,800 sterling would be divided among them.—Reuter.

LETTER OF PROTEST

London, Aug. 16.

Eleven of the swimmers who signed up to take part in the English Channel swimming Marathon decided on Wednesday evening to send a letter of protest to the organiser, Billy Butlin.

Among the 11 swimmers were Mihir Sen of India, an American, Mrs Florence Burdette, and Sweden's Arik Martin.

In the protest note the swimmers said that according to the opinion of very experienced pilots conditions just before the start of the race were unfavourable and that several swimmers "were persuaded to go against their better judgment."

Of the 11 people who signed the letter only one, the New Zealand competitor, Clarence Conza, attempted the crossing.

SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE

The swimmers who signed the letter added that the fact that not one of the 22 competitors entered for the race, representing the best long distance swimmers in the world, was able to make the crossing was sufficient in itself to prove that the race should never have been held under the conditions which prevailed on Wednesday.

The Indian swimmer, Sen, said afterwards, "I will make out a very strong point that no one will come from India to take part in this race. I am sure this is the feeling of people who have travelled over 5,000 miles to come here."

At a press conference in Folkestone on Wednesday evening Butlin said that the decision to hold the marathon was taken in England before the departure of the swimmers for Cap Gris Nez.

However, he blamed the weather forecast, saying, "I think it was a wrong forecast and not a wrong decision".—France-Presse.

St. John Ambulance Orders

Order by Mr Fung Ping-fan, C St J, Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hongkong District. Order No 33/56. Dated Aug. 16, 1956.

Ambulance Duties — Hongkong.—19 & 56-25 & 56, Eastern Amb Div; 26 & 56-1 & 56, Causeway Bay Amb Div, August, 1956 Central Nsg Div.

Ambulance Duties — Kowloon.—20 & 56-26 & 56, Shamshuipo Amb Div; 27 & 56-2 & 56 Kowloon Amb Div, August, 1956 Shamshuipo Nsg Div.

Penetration Squad Duties. 19 & 56, Dr S. Y. Kong, Dentist Yap Himwwee C.S.O. C. Hanke & King's College N/D, 20 & 56, Dr F. Chin Tsai, Dentist, Yeung Kai-shing, D/O Pang Wan-ching & King's College Nsg Div.

Orderly Duties At Mainland Area Hqtrs.—19 & 56, Kowloon Amb Div; 17 & 56, Shamshuipo Amb Div; 18 & 56, Tsimshatsui Amb Div; 19 & 56, Shamshuipo Amb Div; 20 & 56, KYMCA Nsg Div, 21 & 56, Kong Wah Amb Div, 22 & 56, Tsimshatsui Amb Div.

Beach Duties—Hongkong. 18 & 56, 2 p.m., Repulse Bay, Wanchai 'A' A/D, Big Wave Bay, Western Dist A/D, Shek-O, Central A/D; 19 & 56, 9.30 a.m., Repulse Bay, Chung Sing A.D, Big Wave Bay, Confucian A/D, Shek-O, SCAA A/D, 1.30 p.m., Repulse Bay, Causeway Bay A/D, Big Wave Bay HKYMCA A/D, Shek-O, KCOB A/D, August 1956: HKYMCA Nsg Div.

Beach Duties—Kowloon. Kowloon YMCA Swimming Pavilion KYMCA Amb & Nsg Divs, Civil Servants Assn Swimming Pavilion Kong Wah Amb Div & Waterloo N/D, Eastern Athletic Assn Swimming Pavilion Kowloon Amb Div & Shamshuipo Nsg Div, Laichikok Beach 18 & 56-19 & 56, Tsimshatsui Amb Div & Waterloo Nsg. Div.

Street Sleepers Shelter Society Duties.—August 1956: Shamshuipo: Shamshuipo Nsg Div, Western Dist: Central Nsg Div.

Mongkok KFWA Assn. Clinic Duties.—August 1956: KYMCA Nsg. Div.

HK Society For the Protection Of Children—Kowloon. — 18 & 56-18 & 56, Waterloo Nsg Div; 20 & 56-25 & 56, Waterloo Nsg. Div.

Promotion. — KCOB Amb. Div.: Cpl. Morris T. C. Channing promoted to Sgt. w.e.f. 15.8.56. SCAA Amb. Div.: Hon. Sgt & Div Sec. Ho Ping-chiu promoted to Cpl. w.e.f. 11.8.56; Ptes. Ho Leung-yeung, Ho Ping-tong & So Kwai-sum promoted to L/Cpls w.e.f. 11.8.56.

Taken On Strength.—Enrolment—Shankiwan Amb. Div.: Ptes. Kwan Fu-yee & Yu Ying-cho enrolled w.e.f. 8.8.56.

Decrease Of Strength.—(a) Leave—Kong Wah Amb. Div.: L/Cpl. Lo Wing-wah leave for 4 months w.e.f. 1.8.56; (b) **Resignation—Shankiwan Amb. Div.:** Cpl. Yau King-shing resigned w.e.f. 8.8.56; **Wanchai 'B' Amb. Div.:** Ptes. Cheung Kwok-chung, Yam Fook-man, Lam Yun-bun and Lo Ping resigned w.e.f. 11.8.56; **KYMCA Amb. Div.:** Pte. Tsang Yau-shing resigned w.e.f. 14.8.56.

(Sgd.) F. I. Tarung, C.St.J.,
Deputy Commissioner,
District Headquarters.

BASEBALL

Second Annual Global World Tournament In Milwaukee

Kansas, Aug. 15.

The Champion Japanese baseball team, the Nippon Oil Co team of Yokohama, today was officially certified by the National Baseball Congress for the second annual Global World Series tournament starting on September 7, in Milwaukee.

Previously approved for the eight-team field of national titlists were Holland's European Champions. Other representatives in the tournament will include Canada, Hawaii, Colombia, and Mexico as well as the United States, the US representatives will be determined by the 22nd annual tournament starting here today with a field of 32 State and Bi-state Champions.

The US entry, Wichita's Boeing Bombers, won the first global title at Milwaukee last year, defeating Hawaii in the final.—Reuter.

World Ranked Boxer To Tour Far East

New York, Aug. 15.

Ludwig Lightburn, world-ranked lightweight boxer from British Honduras, said today he planned to leave New York by air on September 10 for fights in the Far East.

He said he would have two bouts in Manila, one in Singapore and one in Bangkok.—Reuter.

CHANNEL SWIM COMPETITORS

Three competitors for the annual Butlin Cross-Channel Swim, which ended with no one succeeding in crossing. Husky fellows in picture are, from left, Jack Coutjer, 24, of Canada; Erik Martin, 53, of Sweden, and Alfredo Camarero 25, of the Argentine.—Express Photo.

A THREE-IN-ONE CHARACTER —THAT'S KEN TAYLOR OF HUDDERSFIELD TOWN

By HENRY ROSE

Cricketer, footballer, art student, a three-in-one character. The name: Ken Taylor.

You see him racing round the perimeter guarding Yorkshire's cricket boundaries in the summer. In the winter his chunky, sturdy frame bars the way up the middle in Huddersfield Town's defence.

It's up to the defence once more if Town, relegated for the second time in their history, are to pull out of the Second Division at the first attempt.

The defence turned up trumps in 1952-53. Remember? Jack Wheeler, Ron Staniforth, Laurie Kelly and half backs Bill McGarry, Don McEvoy and Len Quested went through the 42-match League card without a change—a record that should stand for all time.

Wheeler, Staniforth and McEvoy have gone. Harry Fearnley, Brian Gibson and Ken Taylor, taking over, line up for the first time in the Second Division; theirs is a heavy load, particularly Taylor's.

HARSH CRITICISM

Someone had to be the butt when things went wrong and last season Ken came in for some harsh criticism during the slide. "Not decisive enough in going for high centres," they said. "Flustered under pressure."

Like manager Andy Beattie and the fans, I am banking on Taylor starting where he left off when he makes the overnight switch from cricket to soccer at Liverpool on August 18.

Likable Ken—21 three days later—has happy memories of Anfield. It was there in March 1954 that he made his debut, became the first Yorkshireman of all time (how they love these records) to play in First Division football and County Championship cricket before he was 19.

The young man with a ton of talent has not a pinch of time to spare. And that's the way he likes life. . . . "I hope to stay in cricket, football and art as long as I can," he says.

As an art student, he is on the books of the choosy Slade School in London. Only 50 or 60 of Britain's yearly crop of young artists are taken in, with a set standard equivalent to a BA degree.

His first job is to find a training pitch in London. He will not ask for Brentford, where his elder brother Jeff combines a job as centre-forward with studying as a baritone at the Royal Academy of Music. I understand that Ken will approach Arsenal.

Not that he needs much training. He is 99 per cent fit 100 per cent of the time, does not smoke, drinks milk.

He began as a winger at school. Town staked their claim on him when he was 13. Four years later he stepped on the practice field as a centre-half for the first time.

Which rume does he prefer? Neither.

"I like them both equally. Cricket takes up more time. I've carried my sketch books around with me all this cricket season, and I've hardly drawn a line, but I'll be able to catch up when soccer starts."

Ken may not make the England team this season, but I'm prepared to see him sketch a mighty impact on Huddersfield Town's fight back to top-class grade.

—(London Express Service).
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Royal H.K. Defence Force Orders

Serial No. 33. Orders by Lieutenant Colonel T. F. C. Hamilton, MC, Commandant, Royal Hongkong Defence Force. Dated August 14, 1956.

FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Recce Platoon.—Wednesday August 22, 1956—Wireless Training selected personnel only. Parade MPG 5.30 p.m. Dress: Mufti. Saturday August 25/Sunday August 26—W/E Scheme. Parade 5 a.m. Saturday August 25 Security Car Park Kowloon. Dress: OG, Equipment, Rations for 48 hrs to be carried.

Light Troop.—Friday August 24—Troop Training. Parade MPG 5.15 p.m. for HQ RHKDF. Dress: Overalls.

C & R Troop.—Monday August 20, 1956—No parade.

THE HONGKONG REGIMENT

Training.—Week ending August 25, 1956—"A" Coy—Sunday August 26—Dragon Trophy. RV MPG for RHQ 8 a.m. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirt, Boots, Gaiters, Battle Order less steel helmet. "B" Coy—Saturday August 25—Coy Ex (Ex ends 12 noon Sunday August 26). RV SCP Kowloon 3 p.m. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Gaiters, Battle Order less steel helmet, J/hat in H/sack. "C" Coy—No parade. "D" Coy—Saturday August 18, rehearsal for Dragon Trophy Competition RN MPG 1330 hours for RHQ. Dress: Battle Order, OG, Trousers KD Shirt, Boots, Anklets, Blue Beret, Rifle Sling (Teams not properly dressed will be disqualified). Sunday August 19—Dragon Trophy Competition. RV MPG 8.45 a.m. for RHQ. Dress: Battle Order, OG Trousers, KD Shirt, Boots, Anglets, Blue Beret, Rifle Sling (Teams not properly dressed will be disqualified). Sp Coy MMG Pl—No parade. HQ Coy—No parade. Band & Corps of Drums As ordered by Band President. HKR Late Trg Period—August—No parade in August. Trg resumes in September.

HOME GUARD

Training.—Sunday August 19, 1956—Intersection Shoot—Kai Tak Range. Parade WD Car Park 9 a.m. Dress: OG Shirts, Trousers, Blue Berets, Anklets, Jungle Hats to be carried. Battle Order less steel helmets. Thursday August 23, 1956—Training Discussion. Parade MPG 5.30 p.m. Dress: Mufti.

HONGKONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE

Sports Equipment.—Members in possession of Sports equipment on loan from RHKDF or HKAAF Stores are to return them by August 31, 1956.

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22 Rifle Shoot.—August 22, 1956—Practice Shoot 22 Range HQ RHKDF at 5.45 p.m. on August 22. Transport leaves MPG at 5.30 p.m. Attendances as detailed.

Trade Training.—Police Section Tuesday August 21—All personnel—34 Police District—8 p.m. Transport leaves MPG 7.45 p.m. Equipment Section Monday August 20—All personnel—HKAAF Hangar—6 p.m. Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 5.45 p.m. Saturday August 25—As detailed—HKAAF Hangar—3 p.m. Sunday August 26—As detailed—HKAAF Hangar—9 a.m. Clerks P.A. Thursday August 23—All personnel—HQ RHKDF—5.15 p.m. Transport leaves HQ RHKDF at 7.15 p.m. Clerks G.D. Monday August 20—All personnel—HKAAF Hangar—6 p.m. Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 5.45 p.m. Nursing Section Wednesday August 22—All personnel—SSQ, RAF Kai Tak—9 a.m. (Half Day). Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 8.45 a.m. A.T.C. Section Saturday August 25—As detailed—Kai Tak Tower — 1 p.m. Sunday August 26 — As detailed — Kai Tak Tower—8 a.m. & 1 p.m. C & R Section Tuesday August 21—Fighter Plotters—SOC—9 a.m. (Half Day). Sunday August 26—Fighter Plotters & 1 Controller from "D" Team—SOC—9 a.m. (Full Day).—"D" Team —43 SU—9 a.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 8 a.m. Wireless Section Friday August 24—All personnel—HKAAF Hangar & RHKDF—9 a.m. & 2 p.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 8.45 a.m. M.T. Section Sunday August 19—As detailed—HKAAF Hangar—9 a.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 8.45 a.m. Wednesday August 22—All personnel—HQ RHKDF—5.30 p.m. Transport leaves MPG at 5.30 p.m.

Flying Training.—Thursday August 23—All Pilots—MPG—6 p.m. Saturday, Sunday & Monday August 25, 26 & 27—Pilots as detailed by O.C. Flying Squadron.

HONGKONG WOMEN'S AUXILIARY ARMY CORPS

Training.—Wednesday August 22—Pay Parade: Parade MPG 5.30 p.m. for 1pt to HQ RHKDF. Dress: Uniform. Thursday August 23—Fire Aid: Parade 5.15 p.m. WD Car Park for 33 Gen. Hospital. Dress: Mufti. Friday August 24—Signals: Personnel parade 5.30 p.m. for HQLF. Dress: Uniform.

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NOTICES

The Volunteer.—The 1956 issue of The Volunteer is now on sale. Copies may be bought at $1.50 each from Admin Officer, Officers' Mess, POs & Sgts Mess, Canteen, Volunteer Centre and Canteen at HQ RHKDF.

HKVDC in the Battle for Hongkong.—A revised reprint complete with maps of the record of the activity of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps in the Battle for Hongkong December 1941 is now on sale. Copies are $2.50 each and may be obtained from the Admin Officer, Officers' Mess, POs & Sgts Mess, Canteen, Volunteer Centre and Canteen at HQ RHKDF.

THE RAINS CAME, SO . . .

HIGH PRICED MOVIE STARS SIT AROUND FOR 12 DAYS WAITING FOR SUNSHINE

By JACK SCHEMEIL

Paris.

Rain wrote a wet postscript to Audrey Hepburn's latest movie, "Funny Face." "I didn't think we would make it," producer Roger Edens said as he banged shut the lid of a suitcase preparing for the return trek to Hollywood.

"This Paris rain has done more for Hollywood's fake backgrounds, canvas backdrops and papier mache cities than all the arguments about staying at home ever will."

The trials and tribulations of the Hollywood troupe which flew over to Paris to film an ambitious, climactic dance number began the moment Fred Astaire, Audrey Hepburn, Kay Thompson and a horde of Hollywood craftsmen descended on the French capital.

They were going to record on celluloid the sunniest, lightest, loveliest, Renoirish Paris that has ever warmed people's hearts.

It poured on the first day and rain was still coming down on the tenth day when newspapers carried headlines, "Coldest June since 1886."

Plans had called for filming on 38 Paris sites and provisions had actually been made for rain —but not this kind of rain.

"THE RAINS CAME"

"It was heartbreaking," moaned the Hollywood producer, "to watch our high-priced stars sit around their hotel rooms for 12 days waiting for sunshine.

"I was reminded of the silent movie days story about Sam Goldwyn who, while watching Mary Pickford from his office window walk to a movie set, protested: 'At $10,000 per week she should be running, not walking.'

"Our daily overhead expenditure was close to $25,000 whether we shot a foot of film or not. Something had to be done.

"In the days of the early silent movies, which were filmed in the open country in New Jersey, they were never stopped by so trivial a thing as rain. They went on shooting and all that was necessary to explain the change was to flash a title onto the screen 'Suddenly the rains came.' It isn't so simple these days. But we did the next best thing and wrote the rain into some of the scenes.

"After all, we had no guarantee it would ever stop."

But even this subterfuge didn't work too well. After a Tuileries Gardens scene was rewritten for rain and the long shots were actually filmed, the sun came out just in time to spoil the close-ups.

PAINT WASHED OFF

The following morning, expecting the sun to last, the company set out for Chantilly. No sooner were the cameras ready than the skies clouded up. Quickly, they moved back to the Tuileries to complete the rainy sequence.

"Of course," said Miss Hepburn, "we were greeted by sunshine upon arrival.

"We then decided that the whole thing had been planned and carried out by the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce."

During one rainy day producer Edens couldn't stand it any longer and improvised a scene showing Kay Thompson dancing from the Ritz Hotel to the Place Vendome in pouring rain.

On another occasion several truckloads of sod from a nearby racetrack did the trick at Chantilly. The sequence there called for Astaire and Audrey to dance over the turf in front of the ancient chateau. Two weeks of rain had made it impossible to walk on it, much less pirouette across it. The sod saved the day.

But a Seine river barge scene was ruined on a clear day because rain during the previous night had washed off the brilliant colour the boat had been painted with especially for the sequence. This was due to the fact that the barge had been painted with water colours—to facilitate restoring to its original state after use.

Altogether, the company lost two weeks, partially made up by night shooting and a rewritten script, adding something like $300,000 to the cost of the already expensive movie.

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The latest vogue in French film circles is globetrotting, making pictures outside the country, and consequently more stars are before cameras abroad than at home in Paris. Curiously, though, the globetrotters have been avoiding Hollywood, not too long ago a Mecca for movie hopefuls everywhere.

Martine Carol was signed by a Hollywood studio a year ago but never showed up there. She was to go to America upon completion of "Lola Montes" to star in "Prince Valiant" with Bob Wagner. Instead she chose the company of England's Jack Buchanan in "The Diary of Major Thompson," made in Paris. Then Martine made a beeline for Rome, ahead of "To Defend My Love," now filming there with Vittorio Gassman and Charles Vanel as co-stars.

Brigitte Bardot, the dainty beauty who has starred in her first British picture, "Doctor At Sea," in London and is currently in Rome for "Nero," thinks Hollywood simply has too little to offer.

"The great directors," she said, "are elsewhere. There's really nothing Hollywood has that others don't have, including technical facilities.

"And actors' earnings are about the same because of the prohibitive American taxes."

Other French stars currently in Rome are Yves Montand and Simone Signoret. They are there for "Hommes et Loups." Later, Signoret will go to Mexico to star in the Mexican picture, 'Death In The Garden."

BUSINESS IN MADRID

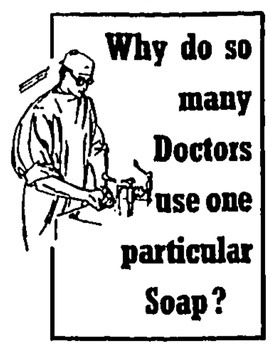
The Madrid contingent of France's film globetrotters is possibly the largest. It includes Fernandel, who flew to the Spanish capital to star in "Don Juan," Pascal Roberts and Jean Danet starring in "L'Ile des Desesperes" (Island of Lost Hope), Claudine Dupuis, Raymond Cordy and several other Frenchmen banded together for "La Megere Apprivoisee" and yet another French cast supporting Hollywood's Betsy Blair in "Grand'rue."

London now is in second place, with the French companies coming and going. Most recent visitor at Elstree was Michele Morgan to complete the English-language version of "Marie Antoinette." Then the French cast of "Crime Passionel" (Crime of Passion) headed by Andre Debar and Barbara Lange, took over half of London for some uninhibited street filming.

A French starlet with the impossible name—to the British at least—of Mylene Nicole Demongeot is the star of a British picture, "It's A Great Life," at another British studio.

Two more French stars are about to leave for Japan to start work in Yves Ciampi's "The Honourable Picnic." They are Jean Marais and Danielle Darrieux. Director Ciampi had to wait for Marias to finish his job opposite Ingrid Bergman in "Elena And The Men."

Gerard Philipe's latest project, "Til Eulenspiegel" is taking him to Sweden. Jean Gabin is leaving for Yugoslavia shortly to star in a picture there. Sexy Marina Vlady is back from her first picture in Stockholm. And Nicole Maurny, who played Bing Crosby's wife in "Little Boy Lost," is in Argentina where she is starring in "Section des Disparus" (Bureau of Lost Persons).



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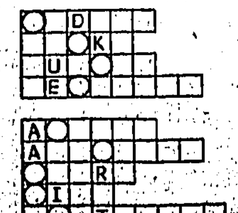

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Portsmouth, Aug. 15.

The recent departure from this big British naval base of two aircraft carriers, Theseus and Bulwark, and other warships for the eastern Mediterranean has focussed attention on the steady postwar modernisation of the British fleet.

It has particularly emphasised the fact that Britain has the most modern fleet of aircraft carriers actually in commission. There are seven of them, with the giants, Eagle and Ark Royal, both nearly 37,000 tons displacement, as the pride of the Fleet.

The United States has recently brought the mammoth 76,000-ton Forrestal into commission, and other large American carriers are following, but for the moment Britain takes pride of place for an operational fleet of postwar carriers.

Notable Additions

This summer has also seen some notable additions to British naval strength in the frigate category.

In July alone two more ships of the Blackwood class of frigates, the Keppel and the Pellow, were provisionally accepted from the builders, and the name-ship of another new class of frigate, the Whitby, joined the first of her class, the Torquay, at sea.

The Hardy, commissioned last December, was the first frigate specially designed and built, instead of adapted from an existing hull, to meet the special conditions of the atomic age as a submarine-killer.

These large prefabricated and all-welded frigates are fitted with the latest electronic equipment for locating and destroying submarines, which seems almost miraculous in its automatic accuracy and tenacity once it has pinpointed its underwater target.

It also has a hull form ensbling it to maintain high speed in heavy seas, and is streamlined in such a way as to resist atomic bomb concussion and to wash away deadly atomic contamination

The captain of such a ship controls his vessel from a specially protected command position when in action, and sits surrounded by a great array of electronic devices which give him a picture of the ocean around him and of air, surface or under-water enemies

Armament

These ships are about 300 feet long and have a peacetime complement of seven officers and 104 men.

The larger Whitby class, about 370 feet long and with nine officers and 180 men, are also an electronic marvel and have the heavier armament of twin 4.5 inch guns and torpedo tubes.

Officers serving in these latest frigates believe that once they "lock onto" a submarine, it has very little chance of escape.

Two other ultra-modern types of frigate now coming forward are the so-called "Cat" class, with names such as Leopard and Lynx, and the "Cathedrals" named after such English cathedral towns as Salisbury.

The first of these types is designed as an anti-aircraft ship, with a hull resembling the Whitby class but a little shorter, and a silhouette showing the naval architect's present ideas, with a minimum of bridgework, no funnels and short masts with an impressive array of radar aerials.

Guided-weapons

The Cathedrals are equipped to work as aircraft direction ships, controlling the operation of planes in conjunction with ships.

Another naval milestone this summer has been the commissioning of the Girdle Ness, a former landing-craft maintenance ship built in Canada, as the Royal Navy's first guided-weapons trials ship.

She has now gone to sea with a score or more of civilian experts of the Royal Navy Scientific Service and the Ministry of Supply to conduct the first British sea-borne tests of guided missiles.

These are some of the latest aspects of a Navy which, although it ranks well after the United States and Russian navies in terms of ship and personnel numbers, is still a very powerful factor in modern sea warfare on a global scale.

Unofficial

A recent authoritative but unofficial assessment of the strength of the Royal Navy, based on the Navy Estimates and Explanatory statement for the fiscal year 1956-57 gave the following picture:

Ships in commission and actually operational: Seven modern aircraft carriers, ten cruisers, two fast minelayers, eight "Daring" class superdestroyers, 24 ordinary destroyers, more than 50 frigates, 44 submarines, 65 minesweepers, 29 coastal craft, eight large landing ships, seven surveying ships and 41 fleet support vessels.

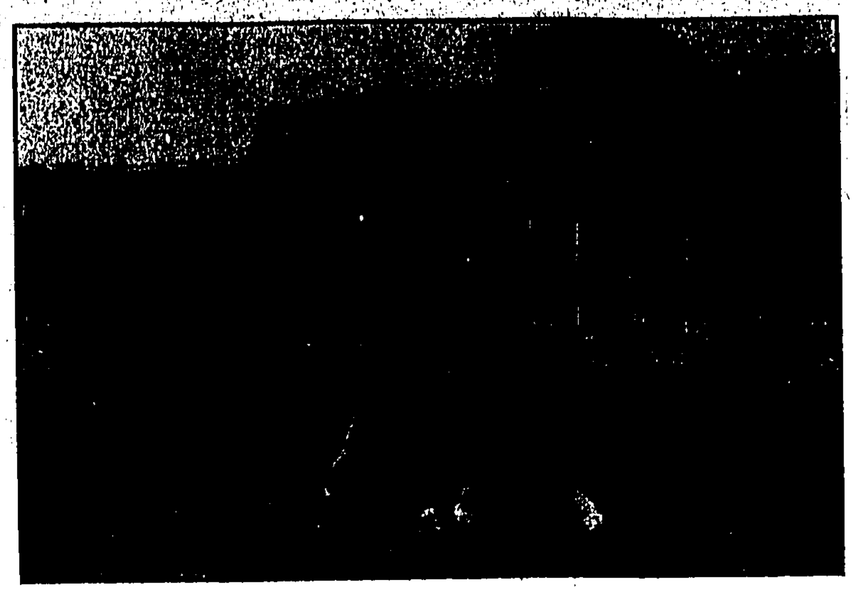
In addition, most of the following ships in reserve or undergoing extended refit, modernisation or conversion could be brought forward fairly quickly in an emergency: five fast battleships, seven aircraft carriers, 12 cruisers, 44 destroyers, 110 frigates, 16 submarines, 180 minesweepers, 41 coastal craft, 54 large landing ships, 74 fleet support vessels, one fast minelayer and one surveying ship. Most of these vessels are "mothballed."

Modern Cruisers

Frigates and minesweepers in particular are still taking shape in many shipyards, and three of the most modern cruisers in the world, of the Tiger class, are well advanced, and will mount the latest in heavy guns with an unprecedented rate of fire.

Finally, in calculating British naval strength it must be remembered that in time of war such Commonwealth countries as Australia and Canada can add appreciably to the Motherland's naval strength with aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers and frigates. — China Mail Special.

BOXING AT PALACE



Disabled ex-Servicemen spectators form a "ring" in the grounds of Buckingham Palace as Lew Lazar and Jack Gardner take part in an exhibition bout. It was part of the entertainment at the garden party and tea given by the Not Forgotten Association for disabled ex-Servicemen from hospitals all over the country.—Reuter-photo.

One Ton Lead Keel Smuggled

Capetown, Aug. 15

A very bewildered man is Mr Norman Goodall, of Three Anchor Bay, Capetown, the owner of the yacht Ancilla, which was dashed against the quay in a northwesterly gale.

The boat lay in shallow water in the yacht basin, but thieves, by means of two 20 ft wooden skids and probably also a breakdown lorry, stole her ton-weight lead keel, valued at £300, in one of the most daring raids carried out in the Table Bay harbour.

How the thieves managed to carry out this 10ft long lead keel and convey it through the customs is still a mystery, although Mr Goodall thinks that the lead was broken up into small pieces and carried out of the harbour.—China Mail Special.

Big Emigrant Family Arrives

Melbourne, Aug. 15.

The 13-strong Green family from Britain, the largest British family to come to Australia this year under the personal nomination scheme for emigrants, has settled in at Creswick, near Ballarat in Victoria's Western District.

There are seven red-heads in the family—Mr and Mrs Green and five of the children.

Mr Green, a tiler, went straight to a job with a Ballarat tiling company.—China Mail Special.

PRAYER BEFORE MURDER

Athens, Aug. 15.

A 19-year-old beautiful brunette, Marika Kalaitzaki, shot her ex-fiance, 36-year-old Minas Stamatakis, after she had been to church to light a candle and pray for forgiveness for the act she was contemplating.

Marika had been the lover of Minas, a wealthy leather merchant of Heraklion, Crete.

When he jilted her and married another girl she warned him of her revenge. Minas, however, took the matter lightly, saying that this was "women's talk."

Marika shot Minas five times with a revolver.—China Mail Special.

West Germany Eases Tourist Restrictions

By PETER JOHNSON

Bonn, Aug. 15.

West Germany is going all out this year to make things easier for tourists.

The removal of some of the irksome border formalities is good for business—and travel agencies confidently forecast that they will beat last year's record of at least 7,500,000 nights by foreigners, who spent about 1,000,000,000 marks (about £83,000,000 sterling).

The "streamlining" for tourists travelling by car starts at the frontier. Only the driver need normally leave a car entering the country. He can show his passengers' passports for them.

The car itself has become cheaper to bring in. A simplified document valid for a year costs two marks (about four shillings sterling), instead of three marks (about five shillings sterling) for a month as before.

DRIVING EASIER

West Germany hopes that other countries will also introduce these and other simplifications.

Foreigners will find driving easier thanks to the introduction of pictorial road signs. A cow in a triangle, for instance, warns of cattle crossing, while a man shovelling sand means that there is road work going on.

Local authorities have been told to get rid of all unnecessary signs.

On the country's four-lane highways a further 125 emergency telephones have been set at intervals of about one mile. From them, drivers can contact the nearest road control station in case of accident, breakdown or traffic disturbance.

By 1961 these telephones will have been put up along the whole network of four-lane highways.

The German General Automobile Club, which also looks after members of associated organisations abroad, has introduced well-equipped vans to control and supply its 60 motor-cycle patrolmen.

The patrol men can summon the van for help if unable to cope themselves with any difficulty which may have arisen on the road. The vans contain large quantities of spare parts, repair tools, fuel and first-aid kits.

MOVING INSPECTION

For the motorist who does not want to drive all the way to his chosen holiday area there are several long-distance trains which take cars as if they were luggage. An example of the cost of this 'pickaback' service is about 100 marks (about £8 sterling) for the 420-mile stretch from Hamburg to Basle—right across the country.

An increasing number of trains crossing the border into West Germany will not have to wait for passport and customs controls. Instead, officials will inspect luggage and stamp documents while the train is moving.

The Federal Railways are fitting their new coaches with signs, such as the instruction not to lean out of the windows, in four languages—German, Italian, French and English. Previously only the three continental languages had been used.

Mothers with children can take advantage of the re-introduction of a scheme which the Nazis started—special compartments reserved for them on trains. Families with more than two children receive fare reductions.

Twelve long-distance trains will have couchette cars—"semi-sleepers" fitted with comfortable chairs which can be slanted at night time. The couchettes cost about four marks (about eight shillings sterling), including a pillow and blanket.

HOTELS REOPENED

Many hotels which had been requisitioned since the war have reopened for this summer's season. New and reconditioned youth hostels have also been opened recently, including one in picturesque Rothenburg-on-Tauber near Nuremberg and another on Mount Feldberg in the Black Forest.

Many camping sites have been opened or improved. Organised camping sites for holidaymakers were hardly known here 10 years ago. One at Murnau on Lake Staffelsee in the Bavarian mountains shows their growing popularity: it increased its attendance from 422 campers in 1952 to 5,678 last year.

HIGH STANDARD

Charges are usually around 50 pfennigs (about 10 pence sterling) per person a night.

West German hotels, with a generally high standard of service, cleanliness and comfort, differ widely in price. The average for bed and breakfast is around 12 marks (about £1 sterling), but smaller hotels offer this for as little as five marks (about eight shillings and sixpence sterling).—China Mail Special.

VULTURES TO BE PROTECTED

Pretoria, Aug. 15.

An old hunter's tradition that vultures, as the "cleaners" of the veld and bush, should not be harmed, has now been given the force of law. All types of vultures have become protected birds in the Transvaal.

The decision to give them full protection had been taken because they lived only on the flesh of dead animals and thus did no harm, but only good, said the Director of Nature Conservation in the Transvaal.

Vultures are protected in Natal, and in many countries outside South Africa all birds of prey are protected. Leopards are protected in most African territories north of the Limpopo.

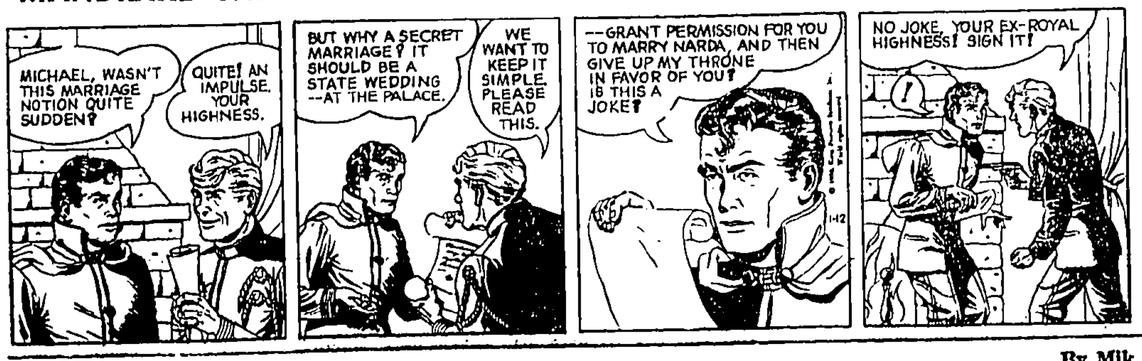
MORE GOOD

The birds of prey are protected because almost all do far more good than harm, in spite of "horror stories" about chickens, lambs and even babies being snatched away and torn to pieces.

Small animals which cause greater damage than the birds of prey are the main victims of the hawks, falcons and eagles.

Leopards, too, do more good than harm, keeping down the baboons. Baboons do far more damage than the leopard, which acquires a taste for calves or sheep and is shot as a result.—China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN — By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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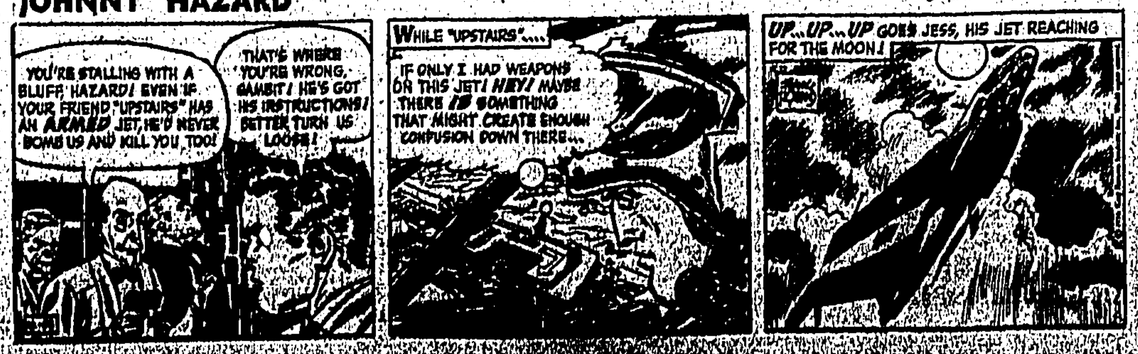

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SECURITIES HIGHER IN LONDON

London, Aug. 15.
Spirited buying of top grade securities sent prices higher in nearly all sections of the London Exchange today.

Gains ranged to about £1 as traders took a more hopeful view of the Middle East situation and were impressed by a few good earnings reports.

British Government's showed up particularly strong with advances in Old Consols and War Loan prominent.

SELECTIVE BASIS

Industrials were bought on a selective basis with Rolls-Royce rising more than 3 shillings. British-American Tobacco paced a strong tobacco group, up more than 2 shillings.

Oils, which absorbed a great deal of selling, turned strong just before the close. Royal Dutch was out in front with a gain of close to £2.

Suez Canal posted a gain of £3½.

In the foreign bond section, Germans opened strongly but lost their gains and closed fractionally lower. Japanese were nearly unchanged.—United Press.

NEW YORK METAL FUTURES

New York, Aug. 15.
Prices of metal futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

Lead	August	13.05b
	September	15.05b
Tin	August	107.70b
	September	107.00b
Zinc	August	13.03b
	September	13.00b
Copper	August	38.25b
	September	38.00b

—United Press.

LONDON METAL PRICES

London, Aug. 15.
Prices of metals closed today in sterling per long ton as follows:

			buyers	sellers
Tin	spot		772	773
	3-month		768	769
Copper	spot		304½	305½
	3-month		304	305½
Lead	1st half	Aug	116¼	116½
Lead	1st half	Nov	114½	115
Zinc	1st half	Aug	95½	95¾
Zinc	1st half	Nov	94	94½

United Press.

NEW YORK SILK FUTURES

New York, Aug. 15.
Silk futures today closed one cent lower with no sales reported.

Closing prices in dollars and cents were:

September	4.28
October	4.27
November	4.27
December through April	4.28

—United Press.

Sea Leaves A Fortune On Beach

WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, Aug. 15.
The No. 1 Rss rubber futures contract today closed unchanged to 70 points lower with sales of 83 contracts.

The standard contract closed 70 to 80 points lower with sales of five contracts.

The Rex contract closed 40 to 80 points lower with sales of 45 contracts.

Closing prices:

No. 1 Rss	
Sept	37.00
Dec	34.00-95
Standard contract	
Sept	34.80
Dec	33.30
Mar	32.00
May	30.90
July	29.90
Sept	28.90
Rex contract	
Sept	35.40
Nov	30.30
Jan	29.40
Mar	32.25
May	31.25
July	30.30
Sept	29.40

Futures prices declined in line with lower prices at London. Interest was dull as most traders awaited tomorrow's meeting at London on the Suez Canal situation. Spot No. 1 Rss quoted nominally at 36½ cents.

SINGAPORE

The market sagged after a steady opening because of lack of support and some liquidation by holders. At lower levels in the afternoon there was some trade support in evidence.

There was little factory interest during the day. Futures:

No. 1 rubber per lb	
August	100⅜-100⅝
September	99¾-100
October	unquoted
No. 2 rubber per lb	
August	96⅛-97
No. 3 rubber per lb	
August	95½-95¾
No. 4 rubber per lb	
August	92½-93½
Spot rubber unbaled	99⅝-100⅛
Blanket crepe	79½-80½
No. 1 pale crepe	121-123

LONDON

The market was easy. Prices closed in pence per lb as follows:

No. 1 Rss spot	29½-29¾
Settlement house term	
September	29½-29¾
October/December	29-29½
January/March	28-28⅛
April/June	28⅛-28½
July/August	27-27⅛
General markets, cif basis, ports	
August	28⅝-28⅞
September	28½-28⅝
October	28⅜-28⅝
Estate crepe thin Sept	30½
thick	unquoted

AMSTERDAM

The market was quiet. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogram, cif Sept. as follows:

No. 1 rubber	2.83 nom
No. 2 rubber	2.73 ..
No. 3 rubber	2.60
No. 1 crepe	3.35 ..

United Press.

On Beach

MINERAL WEALTH FOUND IN AUSTRALIA'S SAND

Sydney, Aug. 15.
Every breaker which rolls in from the Pacific to thunder on Australia's eastern coastline promises to add national wealth from much wanted minerals dumped on the sands.

Their uses range from aircraft building to naval smoke screens.

New uses, new processes are creating ever-increasing interest in what quantities and quality of rutile, zircon and other minerals in short supply Australia can win from more than a thousand mile stretch of beaches and sand dunes extending from south of Sydney in New South Wales to beyond the Queensland capital of Brisbane.

Already the beach sands have made substantial contributions to the national economy. Last year Australia exported nearly £A4,000,000 (£3,200,000 sterling) worth of rutile and zircon concentrates and, according to the National Development Minister, Senator William Spooner, there is production ahead for up to 20 years from high-grade deposits alone.

World's Richest

Ways are being devised to work profitably low-grade deposits and, if this is achieved, Senator Spooner said that they would yield more concentrates than all the known high-grade resources.

Australia is now the world's leading producer of these concentrates and the east coast beaches are easily the world's richest in zircon and rutile content, the Minister said.

Basking Australians, lazing in countless thousands on beaches with thoughts only on the depth of sun tan developing on their exposed skin, have toyed with multi-coloured particles not knowing that they were dribbling economic wealth through their fingers.

And now they have been made aware that there are dollars and gold to be won from the sand they want it to remain rather than to have beaches in popular resorts "processed" for commerce.

Approaches made to various local controlling authorities for rights to "mine" any beach where there are mineral deposits brought strong resistance from sections of the public who forecast that it would mean the end of swimming, surfing and sun-baking attractions for 50,000 people who flocked to one beach in question at weekends and on holidays.

Protest March

Businesses whose economy had been built over the years on the needs of great crowds saw disaster ahead.

Life savers were organised to march through Sydney in protest against a plan to work the popular Maroubra beach, eight miles from Sydney.

From promised royalties, the local council envisaged £A100,000 (£80,000 sterling) intake for its yearly beach maintenance bill but, in face of opposition, the plan was put on one side.

The Assistant Under-Secretary for Mines, Mr C.S. Mulholland, announced that to date licences to mine had been granted only for beaches which are not regarded as holiday resorts.

It would appear that opposition will not change unless public opinion can be convinced that beach mining can go hand in hand with normal beach uses and that after sand is separated from its commercial content it is returned to the beaches whiter than before rutile and zircon were taken from it.

Meanwhile there are many commercial enterprises operating higher up the coast, sucking up the sand on beaches, bulldozing sand dunes high above the waterline to reach mineral deposits, washing, separating and returning the stripped sand.

Zircon, rutile and their derivates and compounds from Australian beaches go to the United States, United Kingdom, Western European countries and Japan.

Day and night the seas smashing against the coast are returning to the shore the mineral wealth washed down in rivers over the centuries from the hinterland, to be used all over the world in metal, ceramic, electrical, paint, welding and other industries.

Its spectacular use is in aircraft building, for rutile is the basic material for the manufacture of the wonder metal titanium.

In peace it plays its part in sky writing; in war it is the base for naval smoke-screens.—China Mail Special.

GERMANY PLANS OIL RATIONING

Bonn, Aug. 15.
The West German Economics Ministry is discussing plans for rationing oil and petrol if the Suez crisis makes it necessary, according to ministry sources. The sources said, however, that no concrete steps had yet been taken.

Even if the Suez Canal were blocked this alone "would not be a catastrophe" for the country's oil supplies. Only about 20 per cent of the country's oil imports pass through the Suez Canal. If the Canal were blocked, the longer voyages round the Cape would mean that about half this percentage would be lost.

The sources pointed out, however, that a blockage of the Canal would make other countries increase their demands on the Eastern Mediterranean oil pipeline terminals where West Germany at present obtains about 40 per cent of her oil. This could cut her supplies further.

A ministry source said that crude oil stocks amounted at present to about 15 days' supplies. Petrol stocks would last two to three months and diesel oil stocks about one month.

An official of the Esso Oil firm in Hamburg said he thought it likely that, if the Canal were blocked, tankers at present held in the United States "mothball" reserve fleet would be put into service on the Cape route.—China Mail Special.

Advanced Petroleum Refining

Pittsburg, Aug. 15.
Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation plans the construction of new facilities to use advanced petroleum refining techniques in the production of coal chemicals, marking the first steel industry adaptation of the techniques to its operations.

New refining facilities costing over $2,000,000 will be constructed at the firm's Aliquippa, Pennsylvania Works, with completion scheduled for early next year. They will be built as the result of licence arrangements with two oil companies—Esso Research and Engineering Company and Universal Oil Products Corporation.

Combination of the two processes will purify the chemicals produced from oil of Jones and Laughlin's by-product coke oven operations. The facilities will aid in production of higher quality coal chemicals. —China Mail Special.

German Car Output Up

Frankfurt, Aug. 15.
West Germany's output of cars and trucks fell off sharply during last month's annual vacations but totals for the first seven months of the year were 21 per cent higher than for the same period of 1955.

Figures released by the Association of Automobile Manufacturers showed that 622,996,641 cars and trucks had been produced up to the end of July, or 123,641 more than during the first seven months of 1955. Of these 276,914 were exported, or 43,840 more than last year.

July production was 78,307, or 19.8 per cent less than the June figure of 97,611. Exports during the month dropped off 25.3 per cent to 32,386 units.—United Press.

STRIKE OFF TODAY

Salisbury, Aug. 15.
The strike of African workers at the Mufulira Mine in Northern Rhodesia is expected to end tomorrow, according to mining circles here today.

The walkout which started on Monday is the fifth in a series of stoppages called by the African Mine Workers Union as a protest against the automatic transfer of certain grades of African workers to monthly contracts.—China Mail Special.

US INDUSTRIAL INDEX

Washington, Aug. 15.
The Federal Reserve Board's industrial production index for July is 136.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S EPU DEFICIT

London, Aug. 15.
Britain had a deficit of £24,475,000 with the European Payments Union in July, the Treasury disclosed today.
Britain paid off 75 per cent of this in gold and added the other 25 per cent to her general deficit. She helped to reduce this general debt during the month by making special repayments totalling $8,579,286 to certain European countries.—China Mail Special.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately **$1,000,000**. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS			
HK Bank	1635	1645	30 @ 1640
			7 @ 1645
INSURANCES			
Union	995		73 @ 996
Lombard		40	
SHIPPING			
Wheelock	8.80	8.90	5400 @ 8.90
DOCKS ETC			
K. Wharf	88		
Dock	40½	41½	
Provident (O)	13.90		800 @ 14
LAND ETC			
HK Hotel	15.10	15.20	1500 @ 15.20
			2000 @ 15.30
			2000 @ 15.20
			750 @ 15.10
HK Land	67½	68	519 @ 67
			1100 @ 68
			400 @ 67½
Humphreys	19.90	20.10	2220 @ 20
Realty	1.45	1.475	
RUBBER			
Amalg	1.45	1.50	
Trust		1.62½	
UTILITIES			
Tram	23.80		2500 @ 24
Yaumati	109	111	500 @ 110
C. Light (O)	23.90	24	500 @ 24
			100 @ 24.10
			2100 @ 24
C. Light (N)	21.30	21.40	500 @ 21.40
Electric	31	31¼	91 @ 31
			1200 @ 31.25
			2000 @ 31
Telephone	24.80	25	1000 @ 25
			100 @ 25.10
			1000 @ 25
			500 @ 24.90
			100 @ 25
			500 @ 24.90
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	35¾	36	800 @ 35.75
			500 @ 36
Rope	12.80		1000 @ 13
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	15.80	16	1415 @ 15.90
			500 @ 15.80
Watson	11.80		2800 @ 11.80
INVESTMENTS			
Yangtsze	6.60		

Singapore Stock Market

Singapore, Aug. 16.
Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

	Opening
Batu Lintang Rubber Co. Ltd.	$1.62
British Borneo Petroleum Syndicate	53/-
Consolidated Tin Smelters Ord.	28/6d
Fraser & Neave Ltd. Ord.	$1.92
Fraser & Neave 7½% cum. pref.	$5.00
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	$800
Hongkong Tin Ltd.	5/3d
Kempas Ltd.	$1.75
Lunas Rubber Estates Ltd.	0.75
Malayan Breweries	$2.87
New Serendah Rubber Co. Ltd.	$1.77*
Petaling Tin Ltd.	$3.15
Raffles Hotel	$2.35
Singapore Cold Storage	$1.47
South British Insurance Co. Ltd.	$33.50
Straits Trading	$24.60
Straits Steamship	$14.00
United Engineers Ord.	$3.70
Wearne Bros.	$2.85

* cumdiv.—China Mail Special.

New York Sugar Market

New York, Aug. 15.
World No. 4 sugar futures closed unchanged to two points higher with no sales reported.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to two points higher with sales of 255 contracts.

Domestic futures moved higher in line with the firmer tone in the domestic raw market. Most of the activity was confined to the September delivery. World futures were dull.

Contract No. 4 (world)	
Sept.	3.30
Oct.	3.33
Mar.	3.33
May	3.33
July	3.33
Sept.	3.34
Spot (cents per lb., fob Cuba)	3.37
Contract No. 6	
Sept.	5.62
Nov.	5.60
Mar.	5.41
July	5.51
Spot (cents per lb. cif NY ex-duty)	5.60

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per $1)	6.03
Sterling notes (per £1)	16.01
Australian notes (per £1)	12.70
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	26.55
Siam tical (per 100)	27.20
Singapore (Straits)	1.82

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Aug. 15.
Grain futures prices closed firm to strong on the Board of Trade today.

Short covering and sharp demand were coupled with only light offerings.

Corn and rye made the largest advances with rye setting seasonal highs in all deliveries.

Cash corn dealers reported that 100,000 bushels of corn were sold to move out of Chicago today.

The gains offset an early morning drop caused by hedging and reports of large southwest wheat arrivals.

Wheat closed up ¼ to 1 cent; soybeans up ⅛ to ½ cent.

CLOSING PRICES

Prices per bushel in cents:

Wheat, No. 2, red			
Spot			217-217½n
Sept	221¼(H)	219⅛(L)	219¾-220
Nov			223⅛
Mar			220⅛
May			220⅛
July			218⅛-¼
Corn, No. 2, yellow			
Spot			161½
Sept			151¾-⅞
Nov			142¾-⅞
Mar.			147½
Barley			
Spot			130-140
New York flour			
200 lb. sack			$13.60

—United Press.

WINNIPEG GRAIN PRICES

Winnipeg, Aug. 15.
Prices of grain futures closed today in cents per bushel as follows:

Oats	
Oct.	82⅝
Dec	79¾
May	79¾
Rye	
Oct.	130¼
Dec.	130⅜-½
May	134⅛-⅜
Barley	
Oct.	107½
Dec.	103½
May	103⅛
Flaxseed	
Oct.	332
Dec.	301½-302
May	301¾

The Canadian Wheat Board announced no change in export wheat prices effective tomorrow. —United Press.

London Foreign Exchange

London, Aug. 15.

New York	2.78-3/16-2.78-5/16
Montreal	2.72¼-2.72-9/16
Amsterdam	10.64¼-10.64¾
Brussels	139.20-139.25
Frankfurt	11.69⅜-11.70⅛
Lisbon	80.15-80.20
Milan	1747-1747½
Paris	981¼-982
Stockholm	14.40¼-14.40¾
Zurich	12.17⅛-12.18⅛

Others were unchanged.
New York foreign exchange rates were unavailable.—United Press.

CHICAGO LARD FUTURES

Chicago, Aug. 15.
Prices of lard futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

October	12.55
November	12.52
December	12.90
January	13.05

—United Press.

New York Cotton Trading Slows After Firm Start

New York, Aug. 15.
Cotton trading slowed down considerably today with prices turning easier after a firm start.

At the close, the list ruled eight points lower to four points higher, with the distant October delivery showing the gain. The market opened seven to 10 higher. New Orleans closed one to 7 lower. Prices rose as much as 50 cents a bale at the outset on routine price fixing but there was no follow-through and the list drifted lower. Traders appeared to be cautious because of the increased volume of hedging attracted yesterday when most deliveries hit new seasonal highs.

The list held close to the previous close throughout the rest of the day as a fair amount of mill price fixing absorbed long liquidation and profit-taking. Hedging continued light.

Traders are looking around for fresh incentives. The proposed 90 per cent of parity support price instead of an expected 100 per cent in the Democratic farm plank had long been discounted by the trade.

Certificated stocks of all cotton totalled 4,072 bales, down 72.

Month	Volume	Open interest
October	27,700	249,700
December	47,900	543,200
March	20,000	349,800
May	14,200	178,300
July	9,300	128,200
October	3,300	50,800
December	3,100	21,100
Total	125,500	1,531,800 bales

NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	34.30n
October	33.41
December	33.30
March	33.20
May	32.84
July	32.27
October	31.65
December	31.65

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	32.78
October	33.43
December	33.30
March	32.20
May	31.07
July	32.29
October	31.65
December	31.65

SAO PAULO

Futures closings, in pence per lb. were unavailable today—holiday.

In the US the average spot price was 32.99 cents. Sales totalled 45,743 bales.

KARACHI

New crop prices recovered today in sympathy with higher overseas advices and strong feelers prevalent in the market about duty reduction from commencement of new season next September.

For the old crop there was only a little interest.

Prices closed today in rupees per maund as follows:

4F Punjab roller gin	79/8
289F Sind roller gin	80/12
saw gin	82/4
289F Punjab roller gin	84/12
saw gin	91/12

Liverpool prices were unavailable.—United Press.

Cautious Trading On Eve Of Suez Talks

New York, Aug. 15.
Traders turned cautious on the eve of the Suez Canal conference and lightened commitments in a last hour selling flurry today which all but wiped out early substantial gains.

Only a handful of selected issues held gains of any size while the main body of stocks closed in a narrow, irregular range. Out of a total 1,131 issues traded, 437 were higher, 413 lower.

Industrial stocks closed more than 3 points below the day's highs at 517.70, up 0.43. Mainstay of the average group was United, up more than 2 points and Texas Co. nearly a point higher. Aircrafts paced the sell-off with late losses ranging past a point in Santa Fe, Atlantic Coast Line and Kansas City Southern. Their average was down 0.61 on the day.

Utilities too closed lower—off 0.11 on average.

Turnover picked up to 2,000,000 shares from 1,790,000 yesterday. Boeing, still responding to news of large Air Force orders, added nearly a point on top of yesterday's wide gain, although selling ex-dividend.

Motors were virtually unchanged.

Oils were mixed with Continental down more than 2 and Gulf and Royal Dutch off around a point. Texas Co. rose a point.

New York Stock Exchange bond volume was $3,010,000.

American Stock Exchange volume was 770,000 shares.

Dow-Jones closing averages were:

30 industrials	517.70
20 rails	185.73
15 utilities	70.67
[illegible]	182.10
40 bonds	94.58
Comm. future price index	161.09
Comm. spot price index	164.73
Moody's index	424.10

Closing Prices

Alden Ins. Acy.	$ 19¼
Allied Chemicals	100
Allied Mills Inc.	33⅛
Allis Chalmers	34⅛
American Airline	24⅛
Amer. & Foreign Power	14⅛
American Cable & Radio Corp.	8⅛
American Cyanamide Co.	73
Am. Mach. & F'dry.	30⅛
American Metal	31⅛
American Smelting	55⅛
Am. Sugar Ref.	101¼
American Tel & Tel	183⅛
American Tob. "B"	77¼
Anaconda Copper	84⅛
Armco Steel	64⅛
Armour	10⅛
Baldwin-Lima-Ham.	14¼
Baltimore & Ohio	50⅛
Bendix Aviation Corp.	60⅛
Benguet Cons.	1⅛
Bethlehem Steel	164¾
Boeing Airplane	54⅛
Borden (The) Co.	61⅛
Burroughs Add Machine	42¼
Canadian Pacific R.	35⅛
Case (J. I.) Co.	13¼
Cat. Tractor	91
Celanese Corp.	15½
C. I. T. Financial Corp.	45
Chase Manhat. Bank	49⅛
Chrysler Motors	70⅛
Climax Molybdenum	78
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	53¼
Commercial Credit	52
Commonwealth Elec.	42⅞
Consolidated Edison	47⅛
Continental Oil of Del.	133¼
Crane Co.	34¼
Crown Zellerbach	63⅞
Cuban Amer. Sugar	16
Diamond Alkali	59⅝
Dow Chemicals	79⅛
Dupont de Nemours	214¼
Eastman Kodak	97
El Paso National Gas	58
Erie Railroad	20⅝
Family Finance Corp.	24½
Ford Motor	50⅛
General Electric	62¾
General Foods	49¼
General Motors	47¾
Gen. Pub. Util.	37⅛
Getty Oil	52¼
Glidden Co.	37⅝
Goodrich (B. F.) Co.	80
Goodyear Tyre	78½
Heyden Chemical	16⅛
Homestake Mining Co.	34⅛
Ingersoll-Rand	90
[illegible] Steel Co.	77⅞
Interchemical Corp.	30⅛
Int'l Business Machines	503
Int'l Harvester	38⅛
International Nickel	100
International Paper	136
Int'l Tel & Tel	32½
John-Manville Co.	50½
Kansas C. Power & Light	44
Kennecott Copper	139¾
Liggett Meyers Tob. Co.	67½
Lockheed Aircraft	49
Loews Incorp.	21⅛
Lone Star Cement Co.	87⅛
Lowenstein & Sons	21⅞
Mesabi Iron Corp.	54⅛
Minnesota Mining	72⅛
Mission Development	37¼
Monsanto Chemical Co.	42⅛
Montgomery Ward	43
Motorola Inc.	43¼
National Cash Reg. "A"	57
National Dairy Prod.	42¼
National Lead	119¼
National Steel Corp.	76⅛
New York Central	38⅛
Olin Mathieson	59
Otis Elevators	48
Owens-Illinois Glass	75¾
Pacific Gas & Elec.	51⅛
Pan American Airways	18½
Paramount Pictures	32½
Parke Davis Co.	50
Penny J. C. Co.	90
Penn. Salt Co.	61⅛
Philip Morris	47
Procter & Gamble Co.	53⅛
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	91
Publicker Industries	9⅝
Pure Oil	47
Radio Corporation	43¼
Republic Steel	51⅛
Reynolds Metal	79¾
Shell Oil Co	95
Saint Reg. Paper	50
Sinclair Oil	67⅛
Socony Mobiloil	57⅛
South Puerto Rico Sugar	27¾
Southern National Gas	37⅛
Southern Railway (Com.)	45⅛
Standard Brands	39¼
Standard Oil of Cal.	52¼
Standard Oil of Ind.	64⅛
Standard Oil of N.J.	58
Sleep Rock	23
Sterling Drug Co.	53¼
Stokely-Van Camp	22⅛
Studebaker-Packard Corp.	7⅛
Swift & Co.	47½
Texas Co.	62⅛
Tide Water Assn. Oil	42⅛
Twenty Century Fox Film	24⅞
Union Carbide	127⅛
Union Pacific Railway	32
United Aircraft	84⅛
U.S. Gypsum	72⅛
U.S. Line Co.	30⅛
U.S. Rubber xd	50⅛
U.S. Smelting	62⅛
U.S. Steel	65¼
Warner Bros.	27¼
Westinghouse Electric	57⅛
Woolworth	47⅛

—United Press.

NEW YORK OIL AND SEED

New York, Aug. 15.
Prices of cottonseed oil futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

Sept.	14.79
Oct.	14.77
Dec.	14.68
Jan.	14.65
Mar.	14.61
May	14.57
July	14.36
Sept.	14.36

Sales 212 contracts.

Coconut oil was quoted at 11¼ cents per lb. Copra was at $152.50 per short ton, cif Pacific Coast.

Cocoa prices in cents per lb. were:

Sept.	20.06
Dec.	20.75
Spot Acra	28.31
Bahia	26.50
Venezuela	29.50

—United Press.

NAMESAKES

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Family Reunion

RODDY was a child of 12 when the police gravely wrote his name down for the first time in those records they keep that endure for as long as those live, whose names are entered. At 12, Roddy was bound over for stealing. At 13, he was sent to an approved school for the theft of a bicycle. Twice he escaped from the school, twice was recaptured.

When he was 14, Roddy stole again a wallet; this time he tried again before a juvenile court, returned to an approved school.

There were years of great misery for Roddy's parents.

THOSE FRIENDS

THEY were a humble couple, whose home was not far from Lambeth Walk. They had never owned much in terms of material wealth, and had good name. By respect of their neighbours and friends, was one of their dearest possession.

They took very hard the evil to that Roddy brought on them.

"It crept on us, Roddy's mother said.

"We've gone over all that," said her husband, "you know we've done what we can. It's those friends the boy's got in with."

We must stop him seeing them," the couple decided. But with Roddy's playground the crowded streets, this was beyond their power.

'EXEMPLARY'

WHEN Roddy returned at last from the approved school dread crept once more upon his parents, dread of the knock on the door that would herald a policeman, dread of the headlines in the local paper, of the trek to court, of the neighbours' whisperings.

Roddy was old enough now to go to work, and to work he went as a builder's labourer. He worked well.

By the time Roddy's call-up papers arrived, his mother and father had almost forgotten their earlier misery and their fear for him.

When he came out of the army, with his character marked "Exemplary" they were as proud of him as they had once been ashamed.

CELLARMAN

RODDY started work again. Later he became a cellarman in a wine-merchant's firm in St James's.

He was on his way home from work there the other evening, when a stranger stopped him.

"What have you got in your pockets?" the stranger, a plain-clothes policeman, asked. Roddy brought out two bottles of champagne he had stolen from the wine - merchant's cellars. "And I took two others at dinner time," he stammered, "and a bottle of gin."

HE'S A GOOD BOY

AT Bow Street, Roddy pleaded guilty to the thefts, and his story was told to Mr Bertram Reece, the magistrate.

"In a statement, this man said: 'I was a little short of money, I was tempted, I'll never do it again'," the policeman reported. "I ought to add that all the goods have been recovered intact."

Roddy's father went into the witness-box. "He's a good boy," he said.

"He has been a wicked boy before, hasn't he?" the magistrate suggested. "Yes, but he was in with a bad lot then."

RELIEF

THE magistrate turned to Roddy. "This is a curious case, in some ways," he said; "You pulled yourself together for eight years....yet if a cellarman is dishonest it means the whole fabric of security breaks down. However, as you've behaved yourself for so long, I shall put you on probation this time."

Roddy was shown out. His parents slipped through the crowded back of the court to wait for him. Relief and happiness shone in their faces. They were waiting to greet their son. They might so easily have been waiting, just there where they sat, to say goodbye.

OAG Visits HKRNVR Headquarters

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Mr E. B. David, this morning paid a visit to the offices in the Hongkong Royal Navy Volunteer Reserve Building in Gloucester Road.

Accompanied by the Commissioner of Essential Services Corps, Mr D. R. W. Alexander, they were met on arrival by Lieut.-Colonel T. F. C. Hamilton, Deputy Commandant of the Royal Hongkong Defence Force; Commander L. D. Kilbee and Commander E. B. Tancock, respectively Commanding Officer and Staff Officer, HKRNVR.

His Excellency began his tour with a visit to the RNVR premises including the quarter deck and workshops, the headquarters' offices and the lecture rooms.

HEALTH SERVICE

He then visited the School Health Service on the fifth floor where he was met by Dr the Hon. K. C. Yeo, Director of Medical and Health Services, and Dr H.N. Wong, the Medical Office in Charge.

On the fourth floor he visited the offices of Essential Services Corps and the Manpower Directorate where he was met by Mr V. F. Clarke, Acting Assistant Director of Manpower.

On the third floor he visited the Medical Examination Board and was met by Dr E. F. N. Brown, Chairman of the Examination Board.

From the second floor where His Excellency visited the headquarters of th Civil Aid Services, he went on to the RNVR officers' mess on the sixth floor where refreshments were served.

He left the building shortly after 11.

Stole From Cars Charges

Charged with thefts from cars, one of which belonged to Dr L. T. Ride, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hongkong, Chan Biu, 23, of 54, Robinson Road, ground floor, was remanded for two days by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

Chan was alleged to have stolen a jacke valued at $100 from car No. XX7519, the property of Dr Ride, outside No. 1, Kotewall Road, on July 6.

On July 23, he was alleged to have stolen a Voigtlander camera worth $300 from car No. XX9381 the property of Mr Richard Poe, American Vice-Consul, outside No. 95, Robinson Road. On August 13, he was further alleged to have stolen $450 and an umbrella worth $10 from car No. HK7059 in a garage at No. 95B, Robinson Road. The stolen property belonged to Mr Cheung Wah-ching.

The Police said it was possible that further charges would be laid against defendant.

5 YEARS IN RED PRISON

Bishop Pinger waves to friends from the gangway of ss Shillong upon arrival here this morning after spending five years in Chinese Communist prisons. —Staff Photographer.

Bishop Tells Of His Treatment

NO FREEDOM OF RELIGION IN CHINA

"There is no freedom of religion, and as regards the outlook for the Catholic Church—well there is no optimism," said American Bishop Henry Ambrose Pinger, OFM, on his arrival from Shanghai this morning.

Bishop Pinger who is 59 today, was speaking to reporters at a press conference at the Catholic Centre in King's Building. He is the last bishop to be released by the Chinese Communists.

When asked on what charges he was actually arrested Bishop Pinger said: "I was a Catholic missionary and I think that was the main issue. They claimed I was with the Legion of Mary . . . they were very much opposed to the Legion. I told them, however, that the Legion of Mary was purely religious and non-political and that no one had used it for political means.

"I was arrested," the Bishop continued, "on August 3, 1951, at about 10 p.m. It was a house arrest. I was kept under close observation for about four weeks, but during this time no charges were preferred against me. I was arrested in Tsingtao," the Bishop added.

"After four weeks they asked me to find some other place to live, stating at the same time that they wanted to continue their investigations. They told me that I could come back for my personal belongings, but I never got them back.

"After I left the house, I lived with some German Fransiscan priests."

HAD REVOLVERS

Asked whether any of the persons involved in his arrest were armed, the Bishop said, "They had revolvers."

Following his arrest the Bishop said, "I was taken to Tsingtao prison and was put in a cell with seven other Chinese prisoners. It was not crowded, six could sleep comfortably on each side of the cell, but there was no bedding. I took my own."

The Bishop said, that he had no trial. "I was first informed of my sentence on October 28. The night before I received my indictment.

"I was arrested on a charge that I sought information. They gave me two incidents relating to this offence.

"The first was that I had asked about the reconstruction of a railway bridge . . . . that is possible, but I don't remember. Then that I had asked about anti air-raid facilities. I don't remember this either."

PRISON LIFE HARD

Asked to comment on his prison life the Bishop said, "Our first prison was an apartment house, but we were shifted almost 15 times." "It is their policy to shift," he added.

"Prison life itself, was hard, naturally," said the Bishop. "I had many interrogations, especially in the first month, during which I sometimes had two a day. They wanted to know if I had collected any information, and to who I had given it. But I had not collected any information."

The Bishop said that after sometime, "they tried to force me to confess. I was fortunate, because I was only handcuffed for about two hours. Sometimes I had to stand for hours, and was never asked to sit down. I was slapped several times, but not severely. One day I was made to stand the whole day long and was given only one meal."

In October 25, 1955, he was transferred to a prison in Shanghai.

"During the first year's imprisonment, I had ordinary food twice a day," the Bishop said. "This was steamed millet and a bowl of vegetables. During the second year, I received better food, and three meals a day."

TREATMENT POLICY

Asked whether he received better food, when he was about to be released, Bishop Pinger said, "The general policy before release, is better treatment.

"On August 2, I was told that my release would be given the following day. On the third, I was taken back to prison. They asked me a few questions, following which I was told my term was completed."

Questioned about his health, the Bishop said, "I did not lose much weight, but I was told I had high blood pressure."

"After my release I was told I had to leave as quickly as possible. They told me my status was that of an ordinary citizen."

Asked to comment on the attitude of the people, Bishop Pinger said, "They made no impression."

TAKEN ON TOUR

The Bishop said, that during April 1955, he was taken on a tour and said he saw lots of new buildings coming up. "The cost is immense, and whether the people are happy about it or not I really do not know," he said.

When the Shillong docked today, the Bishop, despite his five-year prison term was still extremely cheerful, and was very co-operative to press photographers. He was wearing a cream linen suit, a beige coloured shirt, and a grey hat.

He was met on his arrival by Fr T. Diederich, Supervisor of Studium Biblicum, Mr Robert Yoder, American Vice-Consul, Br A. Wekle, Fr Vah, Fr Priestley, Fr A. Maloney, Fr A. F. Stevenson, Mrs Catherine Brooks of the British Red Cross and Mr Adam L. Knox of the American Red Cross.

Documents Admissible

Judge K. R. Macfee ruled in the conspiracy and corruption trial at the Victoria District Court this morning that the validity or otherwise of Police search warrants did not affect the admissibility of documents seized under those warrants in the present case.

His Honour's ruling was as a result of objections by the Defence to the production of the documents on the ground that the warrants contained no specifications and were null and void.

Legal arguments had been heard yesterday and Judge Macfee had reserved his decision until today.

Accused are Chau Chung-sang, 38, managing partner of the Shun Hing Construction Co., Major Donald Peachey, 47, and Capt. Harry Curtis, 46, both of the Royal Engineers.

Following the ruling, Chief Inspector W. Apps continued his evidence of the seizure of a number of documents from the office of the first accused and produced them.

Hearing is proceeding.

WATCH STOLEN

A wrist watch was stolen from a Chinese girl near No. 2 Peak Road at 5.45 p.m. yesterday.

A pickpocket stole a fountain pen from a Chinese pedestrian in Hennessy Road at 6.40 p.m. yesterday. A suspect has been detained by the Police.

SHOP PROPRIETOR'S APPEAL DISMISSED

Mr Justice J. Reynolds in the Appeal Court this morning, dismissed an appeal brought by Mr Lawrence Leong on behalf of a shop proprietor convicted of causing "Made in U.S.A." labels to be applied to Japanese poplin.

The appellant, Yeung Kwok-ying, proprietor of the Ying Cheong Leong firm of 30 Lee Yuen Street, East, was fined a total of $10,000 by Mr M. Morley-John in March on two charges of causing a false trade description to be applied to 1,559 rolls of white cloth and of possession of cloth to which a false trade description had been applied.

The poplin was confiscated.

It was alleged that Yeung bought the poplin from Indian merchants who had imported it from Japan and then in his shop's godown employed several people snipping off the ends of the bolts which gave the Japanese trade mark and imposing "Eagel Brand," "Made in USA" "Fast to washing," and other marks and re-rolling and re-packing the poplin.

The Police raided the godown at 95 Leighton Hill Road.

The appeal was by way of case stated on the grounds that the magistrate was wrong in law in holding that the appellant had a case to answer and in convicting him against weight of evidence.

Mr Leong, who was instructed by F. Zimmern and Co., said that he had submitted no case to answer before the magistrate and when it was held against him he did not call his client to give evidence to explain his case. The magistrate then convicted Yeung on the circumstantial evidence of the Prosecution.

REPEATS SUBMISSIONS

Mr Leong repeated the submissions he made at the Magistracy: that the evidence of the Indian merchants was insufficient to prove the cloth was imported from Japan; that even if it was, there was no evidence to prove that the cloth Yeung purchased from different firms in Hongkong was the same as the subject matter of the charge; there was no evidence that the appellant caused the descriptions to be put on the cloth found in another place; no evidence that the description "Made in USA" was false or that "Made in Japan" was true.

Mr Leong suggested that the poplin might have been originally made in the USA and that the people in Japan might have applied the false description "Made in Japan."

He argued that a statement by the appellant to the Police that he had put a false description should not have been admitted because the caution was wrongly administered and the statement was mentally translated by a Police Inspector from Chinese and written in English in his notebook.

"MISSING LINKS"

In order for the magistrate to convict on circumstantial evidence he must be in a position to say that all other probabilities are absurd before he can uphold the one probability that the appellant was guilty, argued Mr Leong. The evidence did not warrant that, he added.

He submitted that there were "missing links," in the Prosecution case and suspicion, however strong, could not take the place of legal proof.

In reply, Mr Simon Li, Crown Counsel said that the magistrate in his case stated had answered each and every one of Mr Leong's submissions and he would associate himself with the reasons given by the magistrate. However little weight the magistrate gave to Yeung's statement to the Police, it was in evidence as it was admitted by the magistrate, and Mr Leong was not entitled to reopen the question of admissibility.

Mr Li said that the appellant being the proprietor of the shop and its godown, must be one of the persons who could have caused the application of those labels.

In dealing with circumstantial evidence one spoke of probabilities, not possibilities, reasonable doubt, not fanciful doubt, said Crown Counsel. Mr Leong's suggestion that the poplin came from America and was falsely labelled "Made in Japan," was some fanciful possibility, he said.

Mr Li submitted that the Appeal Court should decide whether as a whole the magistrate should have convicted.

Giving his judgment, Mr Justice Reynolds said he entirely agreed with the magistrate's findings on Mr Leong's submissions. There was ample evidence upon which the magistrate could have convicted on both charges even if the statement had not been admitted. In the circumstances the magistrate properly admitted the statement but gave little weight to it.

The Court also rejected on argument by Mr Leong that the goods were only confiscated because the magistrate wrongly thought that he could impose a maximum of a $10,000 fine which only the Supreme Court could do.

Mr Justice Reynolds remarked that the magistrate was entitled to impose a fine of $5,000, on each charge which would make a total of $10,000.

Further Gain In Water Storage

In the 24-hour period ending at 8 o'clock this morning, the Colony's reservoirs gained 25 million gallons of water.

Total storage this morning was 4,885 million gallons. Consumption yesterday amounted to 30 million gallons and the yield from streams and catchwaters was 64 million gallons. No rainfall was registered by the Water Authority.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

"Before I hire you, will you give me a rough idea of how much time you'll need for breakfasts, coffee breaks, lunches, rest periods and so forth?"

Insurrection In Buenos Aires Rumours

Buenos Aires, Aug. 15.

About 250 troops and police today besieged the suburban home of General Juan Jose Uranga, Minister of Transport in the government of the late President Eduardo Lonardi, successor to the exiled President Peron of Argentine.

At dusk tonight police officially reported that a number of General Uranga's friends and associates had been arrested.

Among them were: Dr Jose Lorenzo Bo, former Under-Secretary for Transport, and Lieutenant-Colonel Quijano, the general's former assistant.

Meanwhile rumours spread in Buenos Aires that a military coup against the government of General Pedro Eugenio Aramburu was being vigorously put down.—Reuter.

Hurricane Destroys 5,000 Houses

Washington, Aug. 15.

The American Red Cross announced today that hurricane Betsy had destroyed 5,000 houses and damaged 12,600 others when it struck Puerto Rico.

The organisation said that 18,000 families, who had suffered from the storm, were receiving help. The severest damage was in Yobucco and Maumabo, in the southeast part of the island. The coffee and banana crops were also hit.—France-Presse.

'Quake Recorded

Trieste, Aug. 15.

A "rather strong" earthquake was registered by Trieste geophysic Observatory here today.

The earthquake shook Pilzol, about 150 miles south-southeast of here, along the Dalmatian coast between Zara and Sebenico, the announcement said. A slight earthquake was also felt at Trieste and in the Carnia region.—United Press.

Mail Notices

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 16
By Air
Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
Korea, 6 p.m.
U.S.A., 6 p.m.
By Surface
Philippines, 3 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17
By Air
Thailand, Ceylon, Burma, India, 8 a.m.
Germany, 10 a.m.
Formosa, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, 11 a.m.
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.
Guam, Hawaii, USA., 2 p.m.
Formosa, USA., 6 p.m.
Indo-China, France, 6 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
Canada, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Malaya, Aden, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe (Netherland, & Germany, Parcels direct), Noon.
India, Noon.
Macao, 1 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18
By Air
Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kunming, 7 a.m.
Thailand, Malaya, N. Borneo, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand & Ceylon, Noon.
Philippines, 3 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, Korea, 6 p.m.

4 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Four traffic accidents in Hongkong and Kowloon were reported to the Police yesterday.

A 37-year-old Chinese sustained serious injuries when he was crushed between two lorries in Wing Loh Street, West. The man, Chan Tin, of 17 Berwich Street, ground floor, is now receiving treatment in hospital.

A private car knocked down and injured a seven-year-old Chinese boy in Tung Lo Wan Road. The boy, Lam Tung-ting, residing at No. 122 Tung Lo Wan Road, is detained in hospital for treatment.

In Kowloon, a private car struck two boys in Castle Peak Road at its junction with Fuk Wah Street.

The boys, Lee Hon-wan, aged 9, residing at KIL 3322, Kwong Cheung Street, and Chiu Ming-yee, aged 11, of No. 3 Fuk Wah Village, received head injuries.

A private car knocked down and injured a 19-year-old Chinese in Portland Street at the junction of Dundas Street. The pedestrian, Keung Wai, of 81, Tung On Street, ground floor, is receiving treatment in Kowloon Hospital.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.
6 p.m. Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6.03, Stock Market Report; 6.08, Let's Join In. "Red Riding Hood" (BBCTS); 6.30, Portuguese Half Hour; 7, Variety Favourites; 7.30, Old Times Ballroom, with Sydney Thompson and his Orchestra (BBCTS); 7.59, Weather Report; 8, Time Signal and the News; 8.09, Commentary or Blop Press Item; 8.15, Letter from America by Alistair Cooke; 8.30, Music of the Moment. The first of a new series, featuring hit songs of today and tomorrow; 9, Time Signal, Thursday Scrapbook. A Magazine entertainment for most ages, in which there is music of a sort, meetings with interesting people, various problems in sound, and all manner of trivia for your distraction; 9.30, At the Opera. "Aida" Acts 1 and 2 (Verdi). Principals with the Chorus and Orchestra of Accademia Di Santa Cecilia, Rome cond. by Alberto Erede; 10.55 (approx.), Interlude; 10.59, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal, Radio News Reel; 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

2 p.m. Variety Calls the Tune; 3, Romantic Cycles—Boys from Syracuse—Rodgers and Hart. Production based on Shakespeare's play "Comedy of Errors"; 3.30, Noyatime; 4, Romances of the World—Lady Hamilton; 4.15, Tea Time Rendezvous; 4.30, Vocally Yours; 5, Children's Corner—Presented by Auntie Pamela; 5.30, Teen Time. Presented by Betty Souza; 6, Troglenes; 6.29, Birthday Mailbag; 6.30, Songs of the Islands; 7, Personality Parade—Yma Sumac; 7.15, Woody Herman and the Third Herd; 7.45, "The Final Year"—The Story of a Mother's Courage; 8, Time Signal and the News; 8.09, Weather Report, Announcements and Interlude; 8.15, Moods in Music; 8.30, Calling Miss Courtnidge; 9, The King's Fiddlers—A Play based on the Life of Paganini; 10, Cafe Continental; 10.30, Old Time Ballroom—With Sydney Thompson and his Orchestra; 11, Date with Dreamland; 11.30, Prelude to Midnight; 12 Midnight, "God Save the Queen." Close Down.

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